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Johnson's Reorganization Plan Some Department Heads Eliminated

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

The City Council Tuesday held a special workshop session to review Mayor Christopher Johnson's proposed amended fiscal 1990 budget, which reflects an almost \$1.2 million decrease in state local aid and is tied to a reorganizational plan involving all City Hall departments.

Johnson's proposal reflects the loss of the local aid, and calls for the elimination of eight positions, including three current department heads (and the creation via consolidation of a new department of Administration and Finance), and reduces the School Budget request by \$100,000, with no teacher layoffs.

Gone from the department head list will be the director of Building Maintenance, currently held by Jack Kunasek, and the health agent's job, currently held by Ronald Young.

Also to be eliminated will be the position of building inspector, pending the retirement of long-time Building Inspector Joseph Conte. Under Johnson's plan, the run-

ning of the city's Parks & Recreation Department will be placed under the Department of Public Works.

Johnson has proposed the elimination of two vacant patrolmen's spots and a police dispatcher, and the tree warden and three custodial jobs.

On the plus side is a net gain of almost \$500,000 in new growth revenues and \$1.5 million in unused tax levy that offsets some of the budget crunch, according to the Mayor.

"But we won't have that levy cushion next year," Johnson cautions, noting that not only did an anticipated state aid increase of approximately \$1.5 million not happen this year, but below level funding put the net loss between \$2.5 to \$3 million, according to Johnson's evaluation.

Johnson said that by the town going to the full limits of Proposition 2½ for this fiscal year, taxpayers can expect a jump of between \$130 and \$140 in their tax bills.

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Johnson Proposes \$20 Fee, Lottery For AHS Parking

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

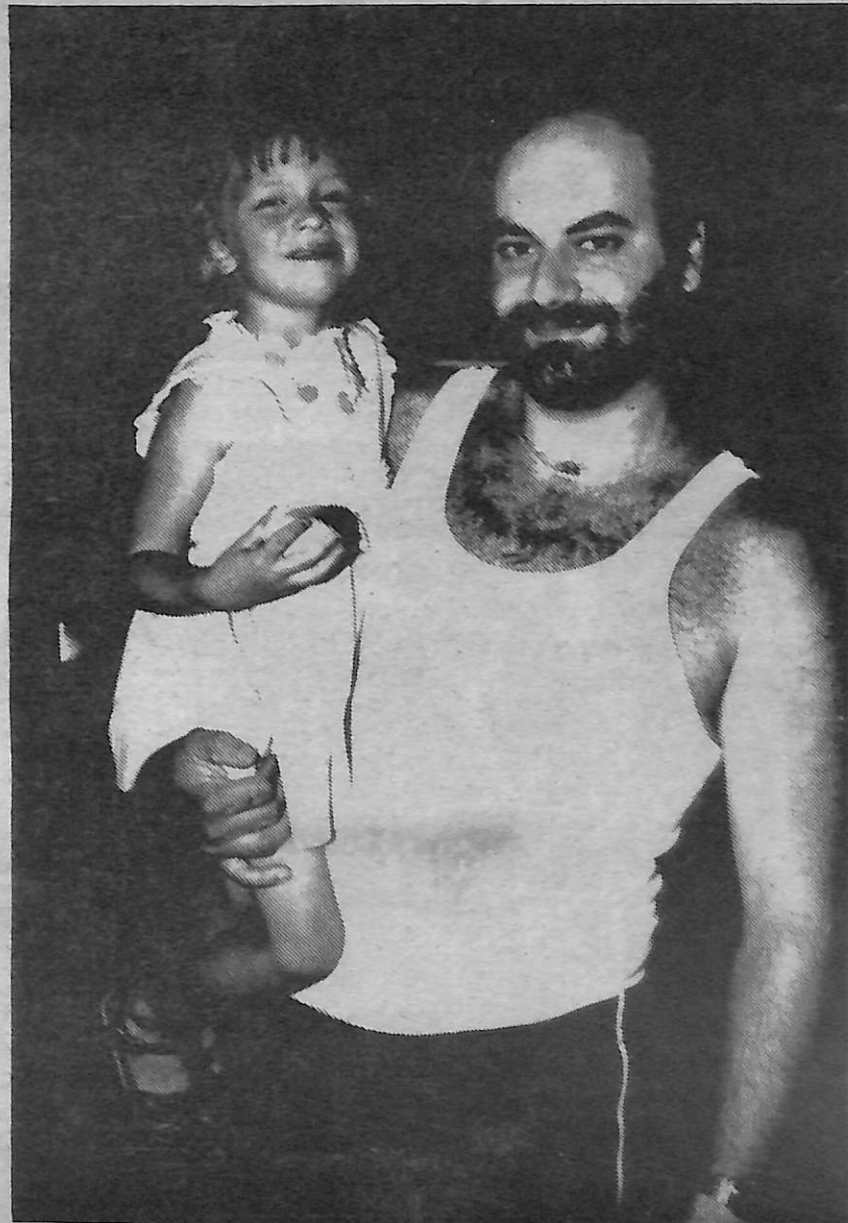
"If they can afford to buy a car and run it, they can afford the \$20 parking fee," says Mayor Christopher Johnson as he discussed a proposal to alleviate parking problems in the Agawam High School parking lot and raise revenue for maintenance of the school property at the same time.

Johnson forwarded his proposal to members of the City Council earlier this week.

The high school lot currently accommodates between 160-170 cars and students often resort to parking on side streets and on the heavily trafficked Mill Street/Route 57 because there are simply far more driving students than there are parking spaces. The senior class alone has more than 320 students.

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Townfolk Flock In Drove To UNICO Chicken BBQ



IN PHOTO LEFT, Agawam UNICO members Dante Mutti (left) and Frank Pignatari prepare french fries at the Annual UNICO Chicken BBQ at the Polish American Club; IN PHOTO RIGHT, little Gina D'Agostino is escorted to the annual event by her dad, Dave D'Agostino. Centerfold Inside. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine and Christina Morassi.

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Teachers, administrators, and staff members will continue to be assured of their parking spaces under this plan.

The plan brought before the City Council Tuesday would create a lottery system by which AHS seniors requesting parking access at the school would have their names drawn at random and assigned numbered parking spaces until the lot is full. And that's it.

Annual fees for parking privileges would be set at \$20.

Revenues generated by the fees would be funneled back into maintenance costs for the AHS parking lot and upgrading of the school grounds, according to the Mayor's plan.

"Parking is a privilege allowed the students," Johnson said. "We are not mandated to provide it."

Some parents are concerned about the impact the lottery system could have on the teenagers who are enrolled in the cooperative education program.

Most of these youngsters get out of class at least one period earlier than their classmates and access to their cars is essential if they plan to get to the cooperative jobs on time, the parents have stated.

Participants in cooperative education are graded on both classroom work and job performance (including punctuality), and earn as much as five credits during their senior year by participating in this segment of the business education program.

"If they can't have their cars, they can't get to their jobs," one anxious mother reported.

Will granting special permits alleviate that concern?

Not necessarily, since it sets a partial precedent paving the way for all employed students to seek "exemptions" from the proposed lottery system.

And while class-affiliated work may have the highest priority, it remains a matter for official review and determinations.

Councilor Louis Russo believes that since parents pay taxes in the community that pay to educate their children, they should not be burdened with this additional fee.

"I'm not against fees," he said. "But where items are covered by taxes, such as this, I can't see charging an additional fee to use what our taxes pay for."

Because this is a fee, the council must agree to it before Johnson can execute his plan. As Mayor, Johnson has authority over all town property, including school buildings and properties.

Earlier this summer, the council rejected another fee proposal of Johnson's - a fee for trash collection.

Agawam Must Borrow \$850 In Next Few Weeks; Prompt Tax Bill Priority For Johnson

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

Get the property tax bills out on time.

"That's our top priority," says Mayor Christopher Johnson, even as he acknowledges that Agawam will have to borrow some \$850,000 in anticipation of that revenue in mid-September.

"We know we are not going to receive our state aid disbursement until December 31st," Johnson said, referring to a state change in the distribution of local aid to cities and towns.

Until now, Agawam and all Massachusetts cities and towns got chunks of local aid funds quarterly, but now the state, in an effort to shore-up its own revenues, is holding those monies longer in their own accounts (to reap the interest while local communities have to borrow to make the short ends meet).

Agawam City Treasurer Rudolfo Altobelli has already initiated the paperwork for the loan, which Agawam should have repaid within 90 days.

If the City Council approves a revised budget at its August 30th special meeting, it will set in motion the certification process by which the state Department of

Revenue okays Agawam's tax bills. It's a chain reaction of approval—process, printing, stuffing and mailing, and that will bring tax bills to taxpayers' mailboxes by October 1st (barring unforeseen delays).

By November 1st, tax revenue is in and the city is writing in black ink again.

Johnson admits that the scenario could be replayed next spring when the accustomed March 31st payment doesn't come and the revenue from "second half" tax bills might not be on hand until May.

Any delays in the budget approval process later this month could trigger still more borrowing, and that's something Agawam "can't afford," according to Johnson.

The borrowing process will begin "as soon as the cash gets low," Johnson said.

Agawam receives \$9.4 million in local aid, down from \$10.6 last year. That means that instead of \$2.3 (approximately) coming in quarterly, the city will get \$4.75 semi-annually.

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The new budget plays a financial chess game, pulling out, for example, all motor vehicle/insurance monies from individual departments and lumps them into a single motor vehicle maintenance department intended to keep better track of what's happening to all city vehicles. It also will attempt to create a more efficient bookkeeping system for the auditing department, Johnson notes.

The budget also calls for centralized purchasing within the DPW, which has one of the more extensive service systems for the city.

The School Department reductions will be drawn from equipment and supplies, and a freeze on hiring that has left some positions not filled. This means that no additional teaching personnel will be cut this year. The School Budget comprises 42 percent of the city's budget.

"The unions have cooperated for the most part,"

Johnson stated. "They're looking to work on cost-saving techniques to avoid future layoffs."

The budget includes provisions for cost savings by utilizing constables at polling places in lieu of police officers on much higher overtime pay.

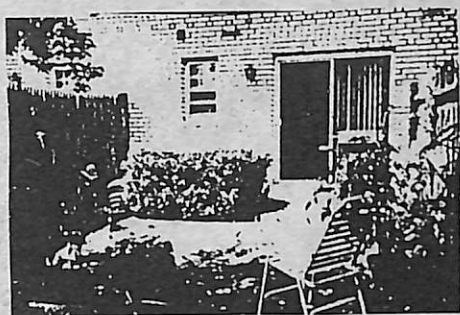
To generate additional revenue the city also plans to mimic neighboring communities and pass the cost of out-duty work by police to the company doing the job. "We used to charge about 25 cents an hour as an administrative fee," Johnson explained. "Everyone else is charging 10 percent of the total bill. We're going to do that, too."

The council will meet next Wednesday (August 30th) to vote on the amended budget. Though it is based on reorganization, those figures can be adjusted if the council opts to require more time to review the structural changes of City Hall departments.

"The council has the option to appropriate whatever funding it chooses," Johnson stated. "But that doesn't mean I have to spend it. The jobs I have eliminated will be eliminated."

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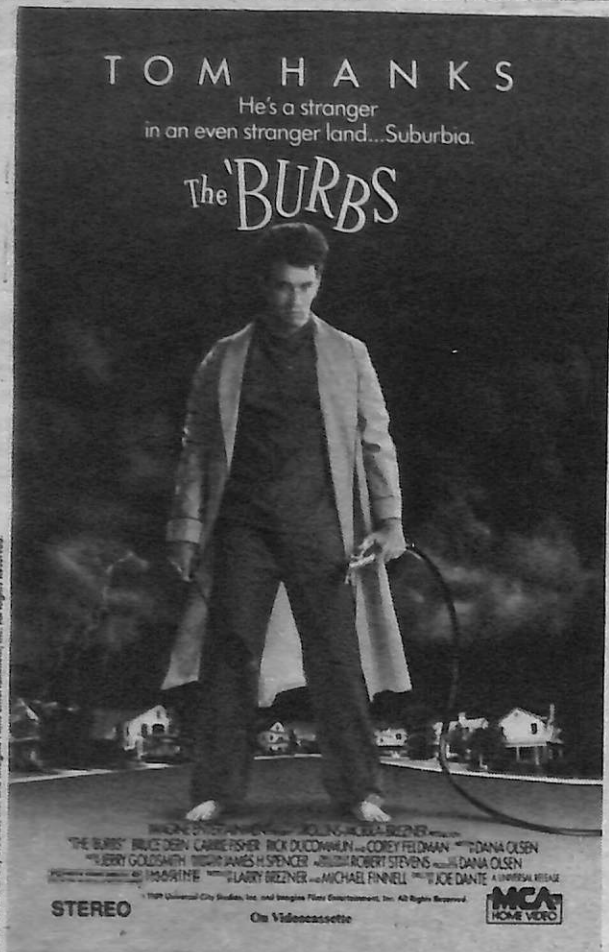
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Soccer Team Says Thanks

To The Editor:

The Agawam "Wildcats," the Pioneer Valley Boys' Under 10 Soccer Team would like to thank *The Agawam Advertiser News*, the Colonial Funeral Home Community Calendar, Sacred Heart Church, and the hundreds of townspeople in their help to support our team's combination candy sale and car wash.

We feel both fundraisers were a huge success. Our team will be using the proceeds to help finance its travels to Oneonta New York "Soccertown U.S.A." home of the North American Soccer Hall of Fame. The Wildcats will be competing in the Annual Hall of Fame's Boys' Under 10 Soccer Tournament later this month. In addition to the tournament, plans have been made for the boys and their families to visit Howe Caverns in Cobleskill, New York, and the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, New York.

The team members making the trip include Jason Andras, Keith Benton, Daniel Cizek, Curtis Cuccia, Eric Danner, Nick Dion, Patrick Garvey, Sean Garvey, Kyle Gendron, Matthew Maynard, Bryan O'Quinn, Richard Poggi, Chris Rousseau, Steven Rovithis, David Thomas, and the coaching staff of Bob Rousseau, Ken Cizek, and Al O'Quinn. Along with their families and friends, Agawam is well represented at this year's tournament.

Once again thanks for your donations; we appreciate all of your support.

The Agawam Wildcats

Youth Football Thanks Town

To The Editor:

Dear Parents & Patrons:

With the opening game, just around the corner, I would like to take this time to thank you for your continued support and patience during our fundraising efforts.

The new season will be a tough one, but one that is both rewarding to our youth, and beneficial to Agawam. Local patrons have been very receptive to our cause throughout the months. Parents have been most cooperative, as things can become hectic at times. Agawam can be proud of the outstanding job these people have done throughout the months.

Once again thank you for your time, and I hope to see all of you September 10th for our opening home game at the high school starting at 1:00 p.m.

Sincerely,

Frank J. Andruss
President

Agawam Youth Football Association

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF AGAWAM BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Administration Annex Building, Agawam, THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, 1989 at 7:30 P.M. o'clock, to all parties interested in the appeal of MR. THOMAS LINDSEY who is seeking relief from Sections 20-37 (a) and 20-24 (a) of the Zoning Ordinance to allow for the construction of a garage and family room resulting in less than the required side lot clearance at the premises identified as 738 BARRY STREET.

By order of the Board of Appeals,
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LEGAL NOTICE

Mayor Says City Hall Reorganization Will Save Money & Provide More Efficiency

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

Call it consolidation. Call it reorganization. By either name, it saves money, says the author of the reorganization plan.

Mayor Christopher Johnson revealed his plans to restructure city government to the City Council and the public Tuesday, unveiling a proposal that if approved, could save almost half a million dollars in personnel costs alone in fiscal year 1991, says Johnson.

The plan calls for budget cuts, budget "moves," some layoffs, and a reduction in the number of municipal departments via a "redistricting" of city functions.

The existing structure has eighteen departments answering to the mayor, with only Data Processing and the Law Department (both of which are considered staff positions) exempt from that line. City Accountant Carol Taylor is under the jurisdiction of the City Council and cannot be hired or fired by the Mayor.

Johnson's plan calls for 10 departments, and eliminates several department heads along with other personnel for a total reduction of 21 (of which only eight are layoffs and 13 result from retirements, attrition, and unfilled positions). No teachers are targeted for layoffs.

The proposal creates an extensive DPW and puts the water and sewer, parks and recreation, forestry, building maintenance and engineering under a single head, and effectively places Building Maintenance Director Jack Kunasek out of a job.

"One of the toughest things I've ever had to do was to call Jack into my office and tell him I was eliminating his job," Johnson said. "But I am cutting chiefs as well as some of the indians."

The Police and Fire departments remain separate entities (despite recommendations by professional consultants that two be merged into a public safety component).

"We eventually plan to do that, but everyone concerned felt the time to do it will come with the retirement of one or both of the department heads," Johnson

adds.

The consensus was to leave the Library services and the Council on Aging as separate entities, since both are self-contained organizations within their own buildings.

Comparable to the DPW restructuring is the creation of an Administration and Finance Department which will incorporate the assessor, collector, treasurer and city clerk within one cooperative unit.

"Each of those departments has its peak times, and they come in a sequence," Johnson explains. "The assessor is the first step in establishing our tax base. The collector takes in the payments, the next step. Then it's up to the treasurer to manage that money. After that it's time for the census (which falls under the city clerk's domain)."

By lumping all financial entities in one "house," Johnson expects to be able to move some "cross-trained" personnel from one area to another at times of peak demand.

"It's cost-effective and keeps employees busy all the time, not just during a single peak period," according to the Mayor.

Finally, the creation of a Department of Planning and Inspection will consolidate the building inspector (Joseph Conte has announced his intention to retire in the next several months), sealer of weights and measures, Health Department, and Planning Board.

Under this reorganization, Health Agent Ronald Young's position will be eliminated.

While such a reorganization and its attendant layoffs will only net some \$40,000-\$50,000 this year, due in part to costs of unemployment benefits which will have run out by fiscal year 1991, by next year the next gain to the city, says Johnson, will be \$466,690.

"It has to happen," Johnson states, noting that saving one job this year will translate into two or three jobs next year, since state financial projections indicate the budget problems will not get any better over the next three years.

For glossy copies of photos in this edition, please contact Jack Devine at 789-0053.

Food Commodities For Senior Citizens Aug. 31

The commodities will be distributed in Agawam on August 31st, between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Agawam Zip Code, 60 and over will pick-up at the Senior Center.

Feeding Hills Zip Code 60 and over will pick-up at Sacred Heart Church.

Agawam residents under 60 will pick-up at Sacred Heart Church.

Anyone who is not registered or has not received a new card may do so on the day of distribution. Positive proof of residency is required.

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Fieldstad Supports Johnson's Revamping At City Hall

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

"I don't care who gets what position. We have to vote on the issue, not on the people or personalities," says City Councilor Paul Fieldstad as he voiced approval of a consolidation plan presented by the Mayor at Tuesday's special session of the City Council.

Though he had little time to review the proposal in depth, having received it only the day before the workshop session was held, Fieldstad "at first glance agrees with the reorganization policy."

"It's long overdue," he says, noting that the subject of a City Hall overhaul has been around since the days of Agawam's first town manager, James Westman.

"It failed back then, not because of its merit, but because of personalities," Fieldstad said. "Who gets what job is up to an administrator. But I think reorganization is a plus."

Fieldstad, along with some other council members, mistakenly thought the revised 1990 budget presented Tuesday night was inseparably tied to the City Hall reorganization plan, but Mayor Christopher C. Johnson assured them that the budget adjustments could be maneuvered to allow passage of the budget.

All Massachusetts cities and towns were forced to revise and revamp their already accepted 1990 budgets due to additional cuts in state aid by Governor Michael Dukakis last month.

Agawam lost an additional \$1.2 million, forcing Johnson to go back to the drawing board on the budget. The School Department lost another \$100,000 to its budget, but no layoffs will result from this cut.

Johnson said the reorganization could be placed in the council's Ordinance Committee for a more in-depth review.

"It's essential that we get the budget straightened out," Fieldstad said. "My concern with the reorganization is one of procedure. We want to do something like this right."

Placing the issue with the Ordinance Committee will allow that review time and the measure could conceivably surface on next week's agenda, though it is more likely to be delayed through September.

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FORMER AGAWAM SELECTMAN
Raymond Charest stands next to the street sign designating "Charest Lane" in Agawam. The street is located in the new "Hunter's Green" development off South Street. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Resident Ray Charest Beaming Pride Over New "Charest Lane"

Former Selectman and long-time political and civic leader Raymond Charest of Feeding Hills beams with pride these days on his "new street."

The street, called "Charest Lane" off South Street in Agawam, is part of the "Hunter's Green" development of prominent local developers Ralph DePalma and Joseph Pacella of Depalma-Pacella, Inc.

"I am very proud of the Charest family name and what my family has accomplished in Agawam over the years," said Charest Tuesday. "The naming of a street in honor of your family name is something that will live on and on," he added.

"I have always been very proud to serve Agawam. This town is a wonderful place to live and has many outstanding people in it. We have accomplished a lot as a community over the years."

Charest has held more elected or appointed municipal positions than any other living Agawam resident.

He was elected to the former Board of Selectmen, Police Commission, Licensing Commission, School Committee, Planning Board, Housing Authority, and Charter Commission. He was one of the original members of the Charter Commission that brought the council/manager form of government to Agawam nearly 20 years ago.

He was appointed to the Agawam High School Building Committee, James Clark School and Robinson Park School Building Committees, the Agawam Senior Center Building Committee, and the new Agawam Police Station Building Committee. He was also appointed to the town's By-Law Committee, and is currently serving as a member of the Board of Registrars for Agawam.

Charest is a former member of the Agawam Lions Club, Agawam-West Springfield Lodge of Elks, was a Grand Knight for the Agawam Knights of Columbus, a notary public, and commissioner of the Agawam Little League.

He is currently a member of the St. John's Parish Council.

His name appears on five plaques in various municipal buildings in Agawam.

He has three sons - Leonard of West Springfield, who has served on the West Springfield School Committee; Robert, now a resident of Arizona; and Donald, associate superintendent of the Agawam Schools.

Charest resides on Hastings Street with his wife, Loretta.

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Crime Prevention Now Vital To Local Police

by Officer Wayne Macey
Crime Prevention Bureau

Crime prevention is described as "the anticipation, the recognition, and the appraisal of a crime risk and the initiation of action to remove or reduce it."

This concept of police work was originated in the mid 1700's by Henry Fielding, who has since become known as the father of crime prevention.

Fielding originated a change of attitude toward policing in general, and focused more attention on the prevention of crime in particular.

He accomplished two goals; the reduction of existing crime while concentrating on prevention of outbreaks in the future.

The three objectives which he felt were instrumental in the achievement of these goals were the development of a strong police force; the organization of an active group of citizens, a body of citizen householders; and the initiation of action which would serve to remove some of the causes of crime and the conditions under which it flourished.

Traditionally, law enforcement in the United States has focused its attention on the investigation and apprehension phases of crime control. Prevention was always of secondary concern and merely a small part of the entire crime picture.

In effect, police departments were limited in man-

power and efforts were concentrated in the area of response to situations.

To a certain extent, police departments today remain slaves to that method of operation. We are, after all, an emergency service, and a large portion of the workload will remain reactive.

It is, however, a proven fact that more attention to prevention efforts will reap positive benefits in the area of reduced crime statistics. Consequently, the less time involved with reaction to crime, the more time left for action to prevent its occurrence.

Both in theory and in practice it has proven successful, and this program dictates that while crime prevention efforts will not totally eliminate crime, it will substantially reduce the risk.

Three areas of action which will directly impact on the criminal and his activities are: improvement to personal and property security; increased levels of security on the part of the general public; and the development of the new police agency approaches to crime prevention.

In addition, and equally as important, an attitude change on the part of the police and general public will be necessary. Enthusiasm is essential if the practice of crime prevention is to be successful.

Caba Seeks New Term; Johnson Still Hopes More People Will Run

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

City Councilor Edward Caba took out nomination papers Monday, throwing his hat into the political ring and making him the seventh council member to seek reelection in November from the 11-member board.

Council President Donald M. Rheault, Paul Fieldstad, Jessie Fuller, Edward Borgatti, John Negrucchi, Louis Russo and Caba will compete in a field of 18 (at presstime) candidates for the 11 seats.

Council Vice-President Philip DeForge, along with David Skolnick, Benjamin Lockhart all have stated they will not seek reelection.

Long-time Councilor Frederick Nardi, who was defeated in the Mayoral run-off in May, has yet to take nomination papers, and has not commented on his political plans.

The council's power has decreased with the onset of a Mayoral form of government last May. The councilor formally held the reins over hiring or firing the former town manager, but this no longer exists under the new Mayoral system.

And so far, the new Mayor has taken every opportunity to criticize the present council as uncooperative.

The Mayor also holds veto power over council actions, and overrides of those vetoes require a two-thirds majority vote.

Mayor Christopher C. Johnson is keeping an eye on the council race, noting with some disappointment the lack of interest by new people in seeking council seats.

"I thought more people, new people, would run," Johnson said, adding that his election seemed to indicate a desire for a change in government, a desire that seems to be losing some of its initial steam.

Reports of conflict between the new Mayor and the older and seasoned incumbent councilors have been evidenced in council rejection of many of the new Mayor's proposals, including a proposed trash fee, acquisition of a property adjacent to City Hall for expansion of department offices, and an earlier proposal to regulate off-street parking at Agawam High School.

Caba, who has sat in Johnson's seat as a manager in prior years, is bolting from the starting gate in this race a bit later than his fellow councilors. But he and the other incumbents are competing with new and in many cases, unrecognized names, and coming from a field of seven incumbents, the odds of obtaining a substantial change of names and faces on the board are 50-50.

Caba, who four years ago topped the former three-member at-large field, barely survived the 1987 council race. He was fired by the council as town manager in 1985.

Perhaps the lack of strong new contenders is in part due to a "wait and see" attitude that will be watching the new Mayor throughout his first term reign, a testing of the political waters before taking the plunge.

Caba has also been critical of Johnson's performance on several occasions, and the two got into a feud in the press over Johnson's bid to purchase the house next to City Hall for a new City Hall Annex.

The council defeated the motion. Caba and Councilor Benjamin Lockhart voted against the measure. Lockhart, who is not seeking another term, called Johnson a "cry baby" in *The Springfield Unions News* earlier this week.

Agawam Police Dept. Weekly Arrest Blotter

On August 13th, **Neil O'Sullivan**, 671 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Ron Brown and Steve Draghetti.

On August 13th, **Chris Waterman**, 113 Cooley Street, Agawam, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Steve Draghetti, Detective Stanley Chmielewski, and Detective Anthony Malone.

On August 14th, **Richard Eckstein**, 106 Florida Street, Springfield, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Sergeant Robert Swikalus and Jim Lewis.

On August 15th, **William J. Bates**, 58 North Alhambra Circle, Agawam, was arrested and charged with possession of alcohol being a minor and possession of a class "D" substance. Arresting officers were Joe Dymon and Steve Draghetti.

On August 15th, **Sean C. Montgomery**, 76 Barbara Lane, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with being a disorderly person. Arresting officers were Brian Connors and Joe Edwards.

On August 16th, **Gumersindo Santiago**, 1172 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Chicopee Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Brian Connor and Joe Edwards.

On August 16th, **Regina Agnos**, 1172 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Brian Connor, Donald Gallerani, and Richard Light, Jr.

On August 16th, **Glenn C. Wilson**, 38 Union Street, Westfield, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Detective Stanley Chmielewski, Jr. and Detective Tom Marmo.

On August 17th, **Tyrone Howard**, 328 Bay Street, Springfield, was arrested and charged with driving while under the influence of alcohol and other traffic violations. Arresting officers were Richard Conlon, Sergeant Donald Loncto, and Eric Lottermoser.

On August 17th, **Carl D. Jackson**, 72 Marlborough Street, Springfield, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officer was Gary O'Brien.

On August 17th, **Joseph B. Carney**, 67 Johnson Street, Springfield, was arrested and charged with driv-

ing while under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officers were Gary O'Brien and Richard Light, Jr.

On August 17th, **Timothy Kamyk**, 70 Mallard Circle, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with possession of a Class "D" substance. Arresting officers were Brian Connor and Michael Gruska.

On August 17th, **Joseph Lynch**, 40 Federal Avenue, Agawam, was arrested and charged with possession of a Class "D" substance. Arresting officers were Brian Connor and Michael Gruska.

On August 17th, **Juan Hernandez**, 447 High Street, Holyoke, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Sergeant Gary Nardi and Michael Gruska.

On August 17th, **Ronald Bilodeau**, 27 Overlook Drive, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with assault and battery by means of a dangerous weapon. Arresting officers were Sergeant Gary Nardi and Michael Gruska.

On August 18th, **Michael J. Passerini**, 164 Cloverhill Drive, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with possession of alcohol being a minor. Arresting officers were Brian Connor, Mark Poggi, and Richard Light, Jr.

On August 18th, **Dennis R. McDonald**, 133 Mallard Circle, Agawam, was arrested and charged with possession of alcohol being a minor. Arresting officers were Brian Connor, Richard Light, Jr., and Mark Poggi.

On August 18th, **Mitchell Moraczewski**, 7 King Avenue, Agawam, was arrested and charged with possession of alcohol being a minor. Arresting officers were Brian Connor, Richard Light, Jr., and Mark Poggi.

On August 18th, **Todd M. Hinckley**, 104 Elmar Drive, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Chicopee Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Richard Light, Jr. and Auxiliary Officer James Mokrzycki.

On August 19th, **David St. Jean**, 313 Shaker Road, Westfield, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Walter Zymroz and Keith Bopko.

On August 19th, **Raymond Boissoneault**, 266 Elm Street, Westfield, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Walter Zymroz and Steve Grasso.

On August 19th, **Kassie Ball**, Memorial Avenue, West Springfield, was arrested and charged with driving while under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officers were Steve Grasso and Gary O'Brien.

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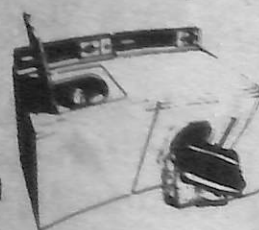
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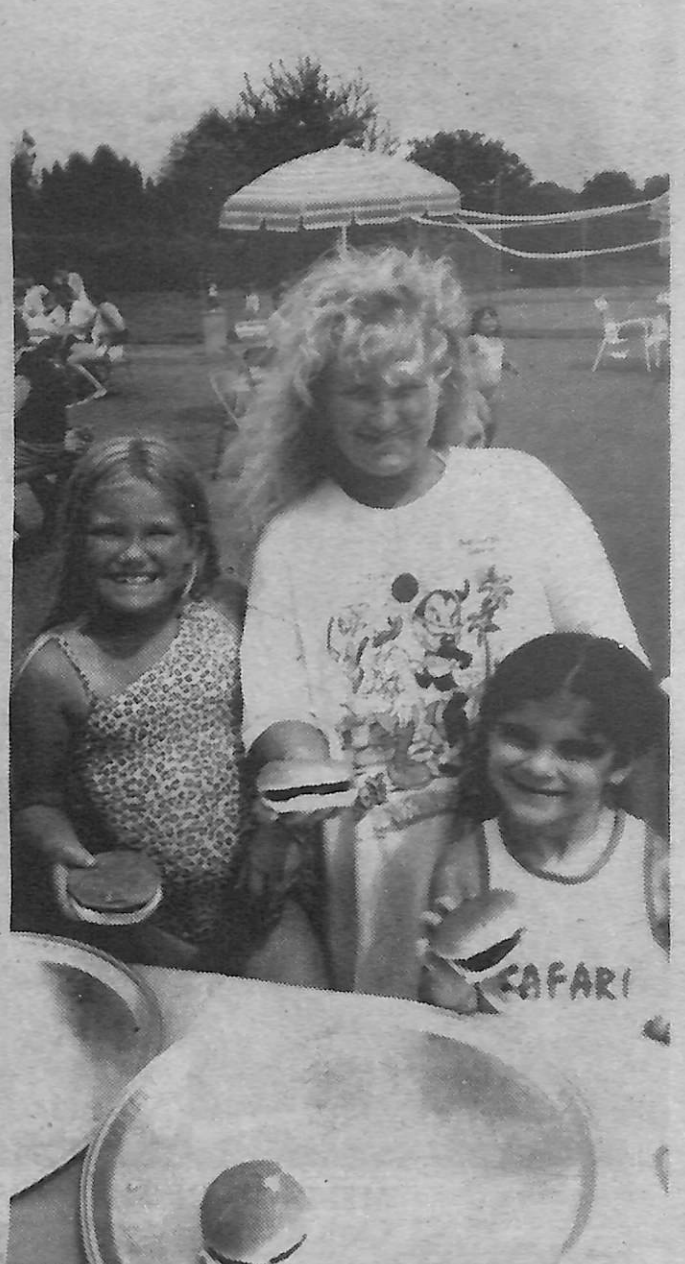
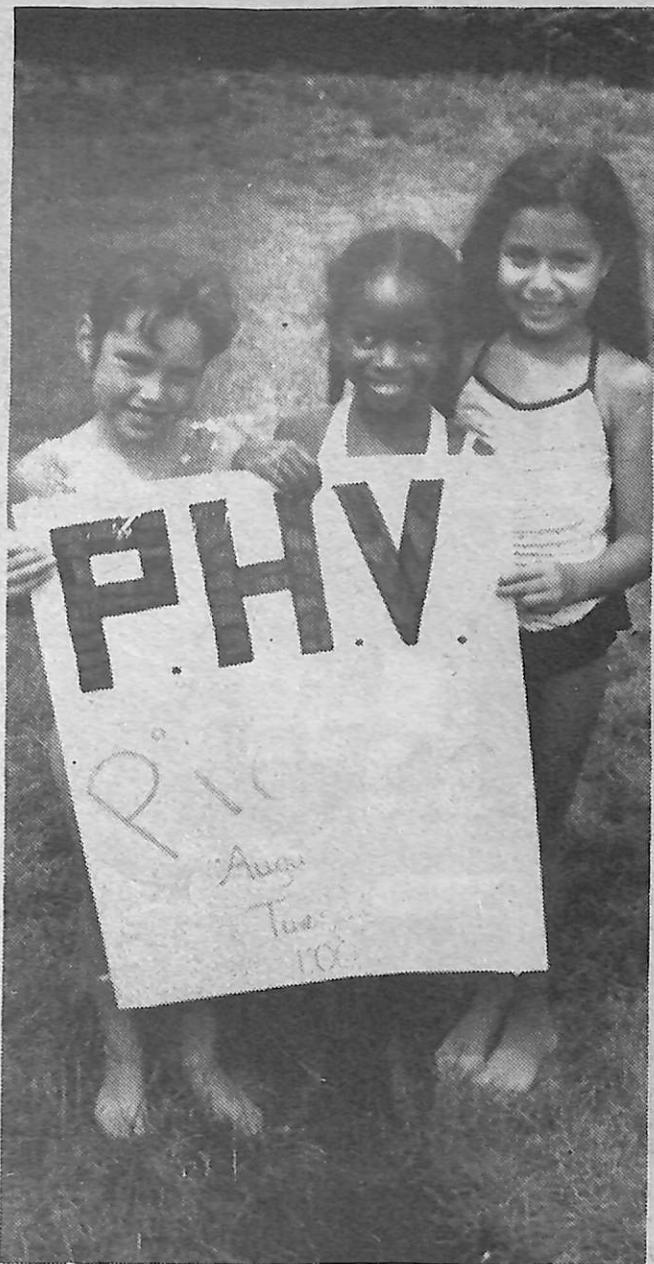
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Families

Pheasant Hill Holds Annual Family Picnic



LAST WEEK residents of Pheasant Hill Village in Feeding Hills held their Annual Family Picnic. In photo left holding the sign announcing the big event are Jennifer Cassells, Amy Cooper, and Morayma Rodriguez; photo center - Joe Washington and Israel Rodriguez acted as chief cooks; and in photo right - enjoying their hamburgers are Amy Maynard, Jennifer Touchette, and Elizabeth Gattardi. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

Christine & Terrance Large Announce Birth Of Son

Christine & Terrance Large of Wallingford, Connecticut, announce the birth of their son, Kevin James, on June 17th. He weighed 6 pounds, 4 ounces, and was 19 inches long.

Proud grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Warren Barr of Feeding Hills, and Mr. & Mrs. James Large of Cohoes, New York.

Marjorie Messier, Anne Barr, both of Springfield, and Mildred Zabek of Gainesville, Florida, are all proud great-grandmothers.

Janet L. Mallory Engaged To Wed Cameron W. Carter

Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Mallory of Agawam announce the engagement of their daughter, Janet Leslie, of Springfield, Illinois, to Cameron Von Carter of Chicago, son of H. David Carter of Hampton, Virginia.

The bride-to-be is a 1984 graduate of Agawam High School, and a 1988 graduate of Columbia College of Missouri. She is currently employed with the Illinois Army National Guard.

Her fiancé is a 1982 graduate of Kecoughton High School, Hampton, Virginia, and is currently completing a bachelor's degree in business with Columbia College. He is also employed with the Illinois Army National Guard, and will be attending flight school at Fort Rucker, Alabama, in the fall to become a helicopter pilot.

A December wedding is planned in Agawam.

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Grimaldi & Burzdak Realty Holds Tag Sale For Heart Asso.



BETTY GRIMALDI, owner and operator of Grimaldi & Burzdak Realty on Springfield Street, Agawam, greets customers at the Annual Tag Sale to benefit the American Heart Association. At right are Mary Cimaroli and Joanne Brown. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



HELPING OUT AT last Saturday's benefit Tag Sale for the American Heart Association is Betty Wilder. The Tag Sale was held at Grimaldi & Burzday Realty on Springfield Street. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



LOOKING OVER THE ASSORTMENT of items for sale at the benefit Tag Sale at Grimaldi & Burzdak Realty in Feeding Hills is Agawam resident Barbara Farrington (center). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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St. Joseph's Polish Church Slates Festival Sept. 3rd

St. Joseph's Polish National Catholic Church in Westfield will hold its Annual Dozynki-Polish Harvest Festival on Sunday, September 3rd. The festival will be held from 12:00 noon to 7:00 p.m., at the Parish Social Center and Parish Grounds, Clinton Avenue, Westfield.

The harvest wreath, which will be blessed during the 8:00 a.m. Mass that morning, will be brought to the festival with the procession starting at 2:00 p.m. The Dozynki program, highlighted by members of the parish dressed in Polish costumes and singing beautiful Polish folk songs, will follow. The St. Joseph's Dozynki Dancers will perform traditional Polish folk dances, as well. After the program the Leo Murawski Orchestra will provide music for your dancing pleasure from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m.

The Dozynki Kitchen will be open from 12:00 noon until closing. Of course, we'll have the Polish favorites—pierogi, golabki, kapusta, kielbasa, etc., as well as American foods. There will be games for the children and the adults. There is no admission charge and the public is cordially invited.

As we celebrate Dozynki, a Harvest of Thanksgiving, we are reminded of the old Polish traditions concerning the feast. A wreath, called either "wieniec" or "sноп," is blessed by the priest on that day. The wreath, which is mound-shaped, is made of many kinds of grain, herbs, flowers, fruits and vegetables, and is adorned with red and white ribbons. The wreath is brought to the festival to the landlord and his wife, the "Pan" and "Pani," with the peasant singers offering special harvest songs. This being a time of merriment since the harvest work is over, the dancing and feasting begin. Dozynki is a festival of praise and thanksgiving to our merciful God for the goodness He has given us and it is a time for us to enjoy these gifts God has given us as well.

The St. Joseph's Dozynki Dancers is a group of some 16 children from St. Joseph's Parish in Westfield and neighboring parishes. Directing the group this year are Tammy Lajewski, Sandy Lajewski, and Kathy Teehan.

Agawam Democrats Plan Dinner Dance



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM DEMOCRATIC TOWN COMMITTEE are planning a Dinner/Dance for Friday, September 15th. Pictured at a recent committee meeting are back row Bob Messier and Nicky DePalo. Front row, from left - Marie Saracino, Dorothy DePalo, and Dolores Cichetti. Missing: Douglas Bodman, Barbara Barton Dunn, Susan Nardi, and Chris Hanna. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF AGAWAM PETITION NO. 89-1

The Street Acceptance Committee, Designated Agent of the Town Council, with which was filed the petition of James Mercadante et al praying that: North West Street be relocated at its intersection with North Westfield Street and that the easterly roadway of the intersection be discontinued as a public way and closed to travel hereby gives notice that it shall meet at North West Street and North Westfield Street on Thursday, September 7, 1989, at 7:00 P.M. to: View the premises.

LEGAL NOTICE

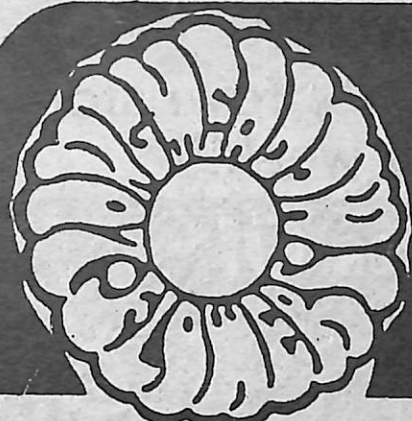
Hear all persons interested
Determine whether the Board Shall recommend a taking of land for the purposes stated in said petition.
Estimate any damages resulting from a taking.
Determine whether the Board shall recommend a discontinuance and acceptance of land for the roadway relocation.

Edward Caba
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STREET ACCEPTANCE COMMITTEE

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Mount Carmel Ladies Preparing For Bazaar

For some folks, summertime means picnics and backyard barbecues, swimming pools and beaches, fun in the sun and relaxation. But, for one group of women, it means getting the jump on fall bazaars. They are called the Mt. Carmel Busy Bees of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church and they are knitting, crocheting, sewing, Christmas crafting—whatever their busy fingers can whip up and their minds can conjure.

The clicking of needles and low murmur of chatter about new stitches, patterns, and ideas can be heard mingled with laughter when they meet every Tuesday afternoon from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., in the church's lower hall. Their enthusiasm is so high when every week it seems its peak has been reached, along comes someone with a new idea to show and it becomes a learning experience with a new pattern or stitch.

They all help each other and have created a most amazing array of articles to be sold at the church Holiday Bazaar, November 4th and 5th, to be held in the Mt. Carmel School Auditorium, Margaret Street, Springfield.

The Baby Department is overflowing with beautiful handmade sweaters, mittens, dresses, hats, booties, carriage covers, crib and carriage afghans. They are especially proud of a pink hairpin lace dress with tam and slippers to match; a white long christening dress and a pink jumper. Also, they've made afghans in a variety of sizes, boys' knit hats, colorful berets, scarves, mittens, sweater vests, shawls, aprons, wrap-around skirts, all size doilies, etc.

Novelty items include jewelry boxes, refrigerator magnet butterflies, clever "Don't Bug Me" fly swatters, sturdy dishcloths, knit and crocheted pot holders in an array of colors, coaster sets, colorful yarn covered non-slip hangers. Dolls and more dolls, bed dolls with large circular skirts, small toy moveable dolls with crocheted outfits, unusual doll covers for many purposes are ready for sale.

For the Christmas holiday, a variety of small tree and window ornaments are handmade, window wreaths, wall hanging Santa heads, Mr. & Mrs. Snowman sets, door hangers, life-saver dolls for the small fry and yarn octopus "tension breakers." Three prize items are a crocheted multicolor poncho, a large doll with real hair, a full skirt and underslip crocheted in fuscia with matching hat and purse and a large size afghan. These are but a few of the items already completed.

The group has also made slippers, lap robes and shrugs for the shut-ins of the parish to be distributed at Christmas by the St. Vincent de Paul Ladies' Group.

How did the "Busy Bees" begin. They came about as part of the Out-Reach Committee of the church's Parish Council. As chairman of the Out-Reach Committee, Sylvia Forastiere was approached by the Pastor Reverend Richard Scioli, CSS, to organize a sewing group to get senior citizens out and actively involved in church activities.

In December, Mrs. Forastiere announced in the church bulletin that such a group was being formed. The response was excellent and in January meetings began. Meeting weekly has become an afternoon looked forward to and many new friendships have been made, so it has served a two-fold purpose. In addition, many who cannot get out to the Tuesday meetings, are working at home making many different articles and crafts.

As a result, the summer of '89 is a productive one for the Busy Bees of Mt. Carmel Church. In addition to helping the church, the group has developed a friendship and look forward to Tuesday meetings. They car pool and each week bring in their finished products and a new idea. Every Tuesday is like Christmas!

LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF AGAWAM

You are hereby notified that a public hearing will be held at Agawam Public Library, in the Town of Agawam, Massachusetts, at 7:30 o'clock p.m., on Tuesday, September 5, 1989 upon petition of New England Telephone and Telegraph Co. and Western Mass. Electric Company dated June 30, 1989 for permission to: relocate 18 poles in the ways or parts of ways designated in said petition, along which designated route of line you are an owner of real estate as determined by the last preceding assessment for taxation.

Dated this 14th day of August, 1989. Information regarding this petition may be obtained from Western Mass. Electric Company in Springfield, Tel. No. 785-5871 Ext. 2480.

Petition No. AG-1297
Street, Suffield St. & Adams St.
Ursula Retzler
Council Clerk

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LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC AUCTION

PLACE: Rear of Police Headquarters, 681 Springfield St., Feeding Hills, MA.
DATE: September 9, 1989
TIME: View-9:30 a.m. Sale-10:30 a.m.

The sale shall consist of articles that are excess to the town departments such as tools, cars, trucks and unclaimed articles from the Police Department such as bikes and other items.

Published: August 24, 1989 Christopher C. Johnson
Mayor

FIRE-WISE Lightning Deserves Respect

Every year you hear of people being struck by lightning during summer storms. Most of them are killed. The rest of us ask ourselves why those victims didn't take shelter; why they stayed on the golf course or ball field; or why they went under a tree during the storm. After all, we think, we all know better. The Agawam Fire Department wants to remind you of those lessons.

Yes, most of us learned when we were younger how to behave in a thunderstorm. The problem is, sometimes we don't think it's important to worry about such safety precautions. We think the thunder we hear is too far away to be concerned about and that just a few more minutes won't hurt. So even though we know better, we decide to take the risk.

Don't take the chance. When you hear thunder or see lightning anywhere in your area, don't waste time. Summer storms can move very fast.

Wherever you are, the key is to remember not to leave yourself in a position where you become attractive for the lightning. Lightning tends to strike anything that protrudes above the rest of its surroundings. Don't be a lightning rod.

If you're at the beach or pool, get out of the water and find shelter, but not under a tree or beach umbrella! **Don't stay on the beach.** Anything that sticks up from a flat area, whether it's a tree, pole or you, is a target for lightning.

If you're in a boat on the water and there's time to get ashore, head in without delay and take safer shelter. If you're too far from shore, get low in the boat so you won't serve as a lightning rod.

If you are in a field and are too far from safe shelter, don't be tempted to find a tree just to keep dry. Get down and stay low. You'll get wet but you probably won't get fried.

Most important, don't try to outguess the storm or blithely assume you'll escape harm. Certainly past victims of lightning strikes, if they could, would say that's what they thought.

LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF AGAWAM BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Administration Annex Building, Agawam, THURSDAY, September 7, 1989 at 7:30 P.M. o'clock, to all parties interested in the appeal of GEORGE AND VALERIE VASSOS who are seeking a Special Use Permit in accordance with Section 20-11 of

Calendar Of Events Golden Age Club

September 1st: Chapter 1 — Board of Directors' meeting at 1:00 p.m., at the Senior Center.

September 6th: Chapter 2 - Regular meeting at 1:30 p.m., with guest Joanne Beltrandi who will entertain us with organ music.

September 10th & 11th: Chapter 2 — Trip to Atlantic City at the Claridge Hotel. Dinner and show.

September 13th: Chapter 1 — Regular meeting at 1:30 p.m., with gift bingo.

September 14th: Chapter 2 — Trip to New York City's Chinatown and an Italian Festival.

September 20th: Chapter 2 — Regular meeting at 1:30 p.m., with gift bingo.

September 27th: Chapter 1 — Regular meeting at 1:30 p.m., with guest speaker Kevin McGurk, newspaper columnist of the S.O.S. article.

September 28th: Chapter 2 — An "Escape Away" mystery trip.

September 29th: Chapter 2 — Board of Directors' meeting at 1:00 p.m., at the Senior Center.

the Zoning Ordinance to allow the following at the premises identified as 158 MAIN STREET. To convert the existing carriage house on the property into business and professional offices and to remodel the second floor of the existing structure into two (2) residential apartments.

By order of the Board of Appeals,
Ronald LaRiviere, Chairman

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Agawam Police Explorers To Hold Car Wash Aug. 26th

A Car Wash will be held on Saturday, August 26th, in the Agawam High School parking lot from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Donations will be \$2 for cars and \$3 for trucks and vans.

The proceeds will be used by the Agawam Police Explorers Post 713, chartered by the Pioneer Valley Council, Boy Scouts of America, and sponsored by the Agawam Police Department to defray expenses for uniforms and equipment required to participate in training by the Agawam Police.

The Post still has openings available to youth 15 years of age and older who are interested in law enforcement. More information may be obtained by calling 786-5774, or the Scout Service Center, 594-9196.

Nocturnal Adoration Society To Hold Vigil Sept. 1st

The Nocturnal Adoration Society of Agawam and West Springfield will gather in St. Theresa's Church, Bridge Street, Agawam, from 9:00 to 10:00 p.m., Friday, September 1st, to conduct and pray The Office of The Blessed Sacrament, for the one hour in lieu of the regular nine-hour Vigil.

Father Albert E. Breton, opens the event with Exposition of The Most Blessed Sacrament, closing the hour with Benediction at 10:00 p.m.

As in past years we invite all parishioners men-women over 18 years to become members of this most exclusive group in the entire Archdiocese. We know of no other active group in the National Society.

Refreshments will be served in the Parish Center following this hour.

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF AGAWAM

The Agawam Town Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, September 5, 1989 at 8:00 P.M. at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA. The purpose of this hearing will be to hear the petition of the Agawam Planning Board for an ordinance to amend Chapter 20, Section 38 "LOT SIZE."

Ursula Retzler
Clerk of the Council

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LEGAL NOTICE



EDITH SJOSTROM on her big 50th.

Edith Sjostrom Celebrates 50th Birthday Aug. 20th

Edith Sjostrom celebrated her 50th birthday August 20th with a surprise party at the Springfield Turnverein in Feeding Hills.

The party, which was given by Susan, Sandra, and Steven (her three children), was attended by 90 friends and family, including Marie Layfield and her family from Providence, Rhode Island.

Surprise entertainment, a male stripper, was provided for the birthday girl from her children.

West Spfld. Recreation Dept. Sets Fall River Trip Sept. 16

The West Springfield Recreation Department is currently accepting registrations for their Saturday, September 16th, Family-A-Fare Trip to the Factory Outlets of Fall River.

The visit will begin with a stop at the most popular outlet, Vanity Fair, where there will be 2½ hours for shopping.

In the afternoon, there will be a visit to the Fall River Outlet Center and the Tower Outlets; hundreds of shops to choose from and most accept Master Card, Visa, and personal checks.

Dinner at the Coachmen's Restaurant will be included in the tour to "cap off" the day.

Departure from West Springfield is scheduled for 7:15 a.m., with arrival back in West Springfield scheduled for 9:15 p.m. The special per person price of this trip is \$37.50, which includes transportation and dinner.

Reservations may be made either in person or by mail at the West Springfield Recreation Department, 26 Central Street, West Springfield, MA, 01089. Full payment must accompany all reservations.

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TOWN OF AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD

The Agawam Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, September 7, 1989 at 7:15 PM in the Faolin Peirce Community Room, Agawam Police Station, 680 Springfield Street, Agawam, MA. The purpose of this hearing will be to hear the petition of Valley View Associates, Inc., for a Revision to the Definitive Subdivision Plan for Rising Meadows. This revision is for the waiver of the sidewalk requirement on one side of the street.

BY ORDER OF THE AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD
Charles R. Calabrese, Chairman

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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Saturday, August 26th
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Saturday, August 26th
Annual Chicken Barbeque
Agawam Lions & Lioness Clubs
For Heritage Hall Families
Heritage Hall Nursing Home Grounds
3:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, August 29th
Parents Meeting
Agawam Youth Football League
Public Library
6:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 9th
Annual Family Picnic
State Senator Linda Melconian
Polish American Club Pavilion
1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 10th
50th Anniversary Celebration
Captain Charles Leonard House
663 Main Street - Agawam
2:00 to 6:00 p.m.

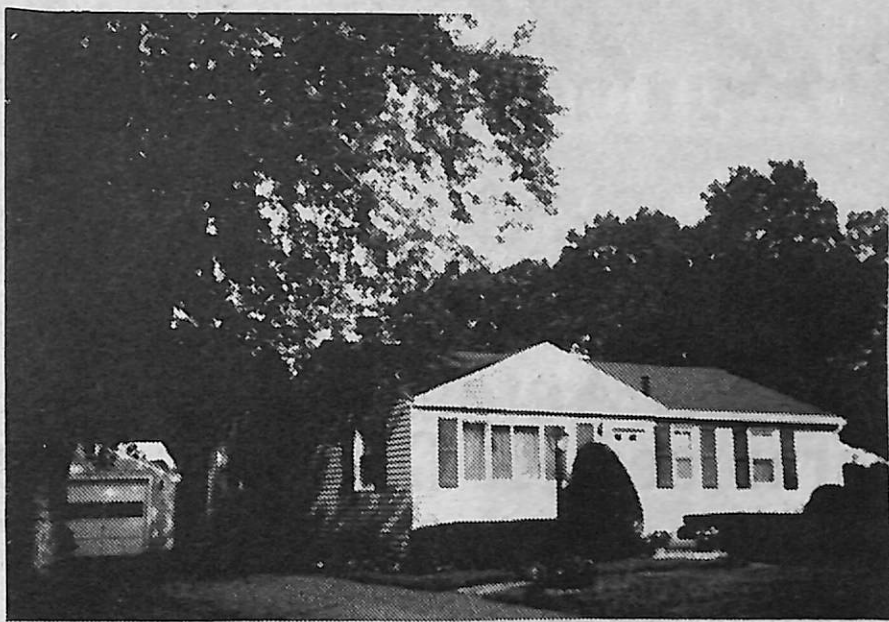
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Fried Mozzarella	\$2.95
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—Salads—

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—Soups—

Soup Du Jour	\$1.75
Baked Onion	\$2.50

—Hot Oven Grinders—

	Half 8 Inch	Whole 16 Inch
Meatball	\$2.50	\$4.75
Sausage	\$2.55	\$4.75
Eggplant	\$2.65	\$4.80
Veal Cutlet	\$2.75	\$5.50

Above Served With Cheese &
Peppers

Ham	\$2.75	\$4.85
Roast Beef	\$3.30	\$5.95
Turkey	\$2.90	\$5.10
Tuna	\$2.65	\$4.80
Genoa Salami	\$2.75	\$4.85
Pepperoni	\$2.75	\$4.85
Steak	\$3.35	\$5.95

Above Served With Lettuce,
Tomato, Cheese & Peppers

—Deli Sandwiches—

Roast Beef	\$4.25
Ham	\$3.95
Turkey	\$3.95
Tuna	\$3.95
Gino Burger	\$3.95
w/Cheese	\$4.20
w/Onions & Peppers	\$4.40
w/Bacon & Cheese	\$4.75

Above Served With Lettuce,
Tomato and French Fries

—Pasta—

Spaghetti or Shells	\$3.95
Spaghetti or Shells w/Peppers & Onions	\$4.50
Spaghetti or Shells w/Meatballs or Sausage	\$5.25
Spaghetti or Shells w/Meatballs or Sausage, Peppers & Onions	\$5.95
Lasagna	\$6.95
Manicotti	\$5.95
Meat or Cheese Ravioli	\$5.95

Above Served With Salad, Bread
and Butter

Chicken Parmigiana	\$6.95
Veal Parmigiana	\$9.95
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Agawam Trivia Game Nears Completion

The Agawam Trivia Game is nearing completion on schedule and plans to have the game ready for marketing in late September are in progress, announced Darcy Davis, music director at Agawam High School, and coordinator for the game.

The eight-month process has seen the completion of the game board with local business sponsors, and the board is in the final stages of preparation for its five-stage color separation and printing.

Some 1,400 questions have been collected from the people of Agawam, and the first book of questions and answers that will be used in playing the game has also been set-up for its printing.

There are still some excellent ad spaces available for the final two books of questions and answers, and Davis is still accepting a few more questions for possible inclusion in these.

Plans for marketing the games in the fall are being set-up, and there will be a reservation form for those who would like to be sure they will be able to get one. The reserved games will be given out from the high school before the game is put out in local outlets for general sale to the public. Present plans are still to make 1,000 games that will be sold for \$15.

We hope to publish 1,000 names of people who are the answers to Trivia questions.

Yes, I would like to reserve an Agawam Trivia Game which may be picked-up before they go on sale in the regular outlets.

Name _____

Phone _____

Games will be sold for \$15, and an announcement will be made for pre-sale pick-up by those who have games reserved.

Send completed forms to Darcy Davis at Agawam High School, 760 Cooper Street, Agawam, 01001.

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD

The Agawam Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, September 7, 1989 at 7:30 PM in the Faolin Peirce Community Room, Agawam Police Station, 680 Springfield Street, Agawam, MA. The purpose of this hearing will be to hear the petition of Gary Suffriti, for a Revision to the Definitive Subdivision Plan for Clover Hill Drive. This revision is for the waiver of the sidewalk requirement on one side of the street.

BY ORDER OF THE AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD
Charles R. Calabrese, Chairman

Published: August 24, 1989

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF AGAWAM

The Agawam Town Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, September 5, 1989 at 8:00 P.M. at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA. The purpose of this hearing will be to hear the petition of the Agawam Planning Board for an ordinance to add Chapter 20, Section 20.84 through Section 20.89 "OPEN SPACE COMMUNITIES."

Ursula Retzler
Clerk of the Council

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Cadet Sean P. Donovan Attends Fort Bragg Camp

Cadet Sean P. Donovan received practical work in military leadership at the U.S. Army ROTC advanced camp, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

The six-week camp, attended by cadets normally between their third and fourth year of college, includes instruction in communications, management and survival training.

Successful completion of the advanced camp and graduation from college results in a commission as a second lieutenant in either the U.S. Army, Army Reserve, or National Guard for the cadet.

Donovan is the son of Fredrick R. Donovan of 118 Pennsylvania Avenue, Springfield, and Judith C. Donovan of 3 Beekman Place, Agawam.

He is a 1986 graduate of Classical High School.

Cadet Paul E. Cesan Attends Army ROTC Camp

Cadet Paul E. Cesan received practical work in military leadership at the U.S. Army ROTC advanced camp, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

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Successful completion of the advanced camp and graduation from college results in a commission as a second lieutenant in either the U.S. Army, Army Reserve or National Guard for the cadet.

Cesan is the son of John S. & Betty A. Cesan of 300 Northwest Street, Feeding Hills. He is a 1986 graduate of Agawam High School.

For glossy copies of photos in this edition, please contact Jack Devine at 789-0053. Jack has all of the negatives. Thank-you.

Linda J. Melconian's 8th Annual Benefit Family Picnic



Saturday, September 9, 1989
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Agawam Obituaries

Eugene R. Carrier

The funeral for Eugene R. Carrier, 30, of 47 Pleasant Valley Road, Feeding Hills, who died on Saturday, August 19th, from a brain hemorrhage suffered in an attack outside a West Springfield bar, was held at Agawam Curran-Jones Funeral Home and in Sacred Heart Church. Burial was in Springfield Street Cemetery.

He was a 13-year mason foreman for Andre's Concrete Company, and served as vice president for the past eight years.

Born in Springfield, he lived in Feeding Hills for 20 years. He was a 1977 graduate of Agawam High School. He was a member of Sacred Heart Church, the Homebuilders Association of Springfield, and the Mawaga Club.

He leaves his parents, Andre and Jeannine (Chabot) Carrier of Feeding Hills; four brothers, Daniel, Michael, Steven, and Andre, Jr. of Feeding Hills; two sisters, Nancy Brouillard of Sterling, Connecticut, and Diane Roy of Feeding Hills; his paternal grandmother, Grazella Carrier, and his maternal grandfather, Philippe Chabot, both of Quebec City, Canada.

Helen T. Wesley

Helen T. (Broderick) Wesley, 62, of 528 Barry Street, Feeding Hills, a retired assembler for Digital Corporation of Westfield, died at home.

Born in Westfield, she lived there most of her life. Her husband, Theodore A. Wesley, died in 1978.

She leaves two sons, Carl J. of Feeding Hills and Theodore A. Jr. of Sutherland Springs, Texas; a daughter, Linda L. Blaha of Westfield; her mother, Mary Broderick of Westfield; three brothers, John of San Antonio, Texas, William of Westfield, and David of Los Angeles, and three grandchildren.

The funeral was at Firtion-Adams Funeral Home, with burial in St. Mary's Cemetery, both in Westfield. Memorial contributions may be made to the Hospice of the Pioneer Valley Inc., 570 Cottage Street, Springfield, MA.

Oman E. Stevens

Oman E. "Steve" Stevens, 64, of 780 South Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, a retired 30-year quality control inspector for Hamilton Standard Division of United Technologies Corporation in Windsor Locks, died at home.

Born in Warrensburg, Missouri, he lived in Springfield for many years before moving to Agawam 23 years ago. He attended Washburn University in Topeka, Kansas. He was a charter member of the Oak Ridge Country Club, and a member of the Sidewalk Safety Committee.

He leaves his wife, the former Florence L. Lowe; a daughter, Lt. Anne V. Stevens of the Coast Guard stationed in St. Petersburg, Florida, and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral was at Agawam Funeral Home, with burial at the convenience of the family. Memorial contributions may be made to the Hospice of the Pioneer Valley at 570 Cottage Street, Springfield, MA, 01104.

Theodore Therrien

Theodore Therrien, 82, of 30 Vадnais Street, Agawam, a retired employee of Crane Company in Springfield, died in the Baystate Medical Center, Springfield. He previously worked as a draftsman for the former Springfield plant of Westinghouse Electric Corporation, and retired in 1973.

Born in Salem, he lived in Agawam from 1955. He was a member of the Agawam Congregational Church, and served on its Board of Deacons and several committees.

He leaves his wife, the former Ella G. Gregory; a niece, Jean Brusseau of Agawam, and a nephew, Harold A. Gregory of Pennsylvania.

The funeral was in the church, with burial in the Agawam Center Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the church at 745 Main Street, Agawam, MA, 01001.

Robert E. Beauchene

Robert E. Beauchene, 64, of Hancock Road, Bennington, New Hampshire, and formerly of Agawam, a 17-year electrical contractor for Baus Electrical Service in Bennington, died in Canada. He was an eight-year Navy veteran, and later served for 30 years in the Air Force. While in the Air Force, he served two tours of duty in Vietnam. He retired with the rank of master sergeant.

Born in Springfield, he lived in Agawam before moving to Bennington. He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post in Bennington.

He leaves his wife, the former Hsiu Li; a son, Robert of Agawam; three daughters, Patricia Kehr of Westfield, Donna Walz of Agawam, and Sue M. Beauchene of Alexandria, Virginia; his mother, Irene (Godin) Beauchene-Phelps of New Hampshire; a brother, Wilbur of Agawam; two sisters, Barbara Hagwood of Gulfport, Mississippi, and Beverly Petreault of Agawam, and seven grandchildren.

The funeral was at Colonial Funeral Home and in St. John the Evangelist Church. Burial was in St. Thomas Cemetery, West Springfield.

Josephine R. Fraska

Josephine R. Fraska, 88, of 64 Cooper Street, Agawam, a retired hairdresser for the former Paramount Beauty Shop in Springfield, died in a local nursing home. She retired in 1963.

Born in Springfield, she lived in Agawam for three years. She was a communicant of Our Lady of the Rosary Church in Springfield.

She leaves a niece, Rita Demos of Springfield, and several cousins.

The funeral was at Edward F. O'Donnell & Phaneuf-McCarthy Funeral Home, and in the church. Burial was in St. Michael's Cemetery, all of Springfield.

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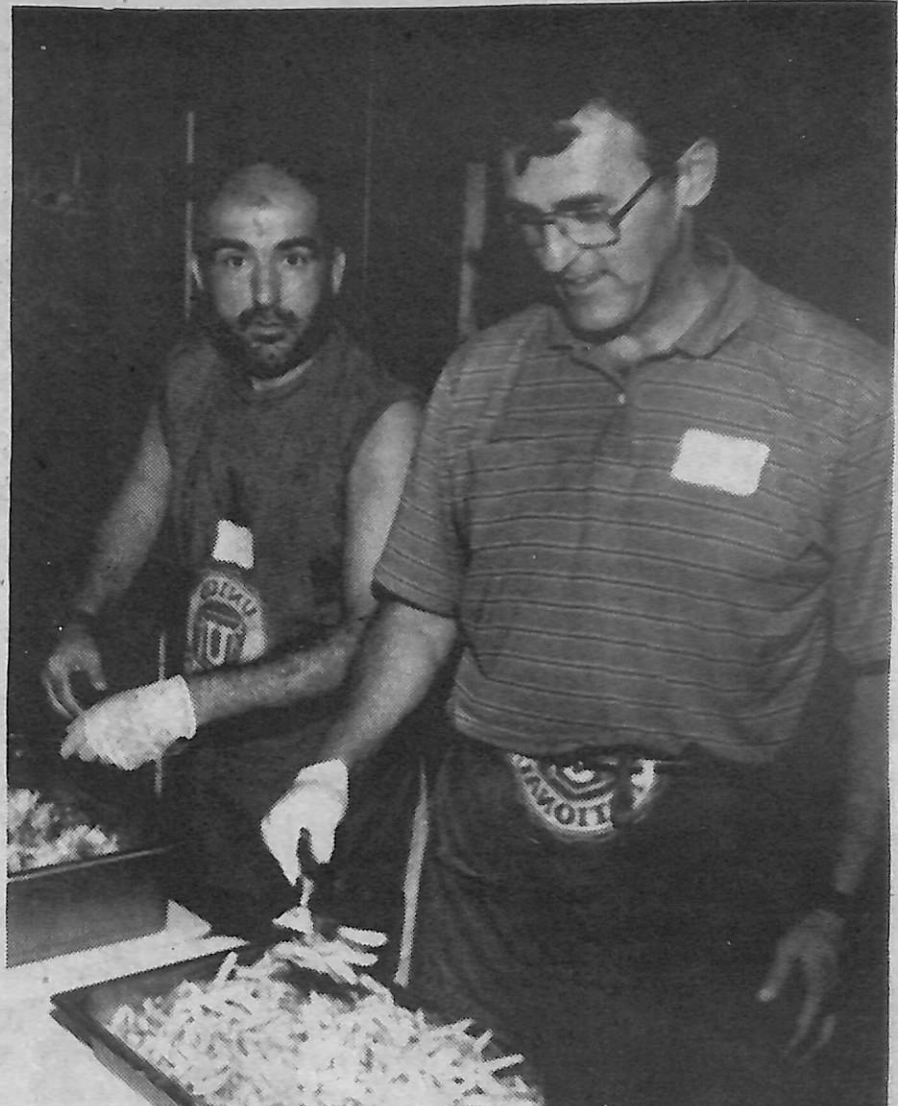
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ENJOYING THEIR CHICKEN AND CORN are Brenda Borkosky (left) 13, and her brother Brian, 7. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AGAWAM UNICO MEMBERS Richard Morassi (left) and Victor Carra are holding down the french fry line at the Annual Chicken BBQ on Sunday, July 30th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



LEO MARAN BBQ dinner prep year. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



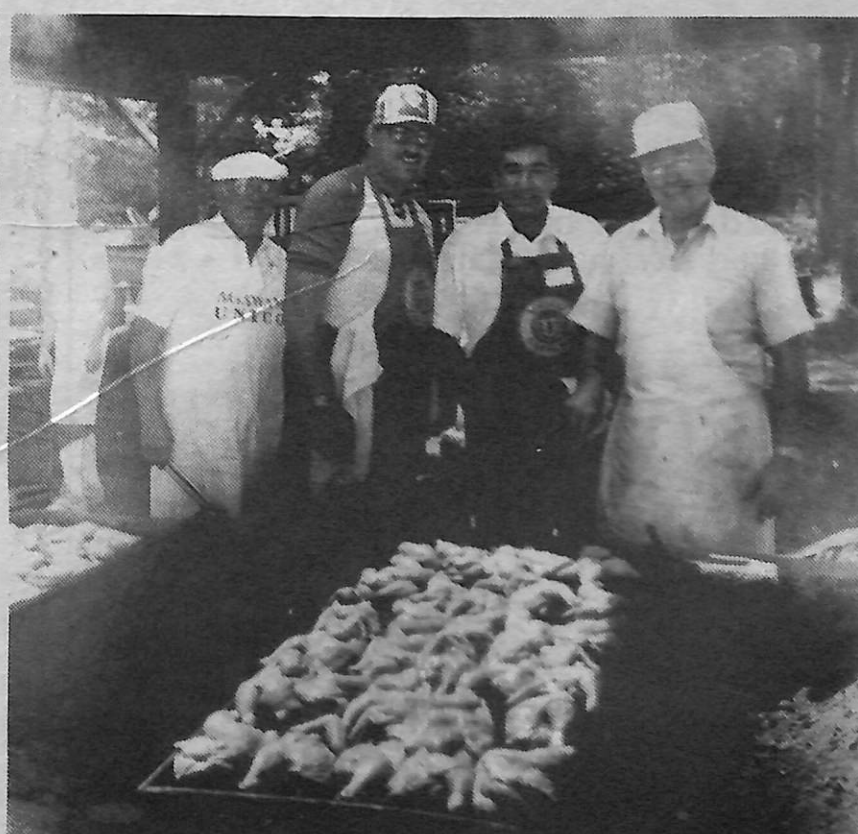
UNICO MEMBERS Joe Ferrari (left) and John Mercadante hold raffle prizes at the Annual Chicken BBQ. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



NO FOOLIN' AROUND - Eating their chicken dinners with gusto are Cessarini, 10; Andrea Cooley, 6; and Michelle Cooley, 4. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



CUTTING WATERMELON at the Annual Agawam UNICO Chicken BBQ are members, from left - David Gallano, Rich Forini (president), and Sam Circosta. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



KEEP THAT CHICKEN COMIN' - from left UNICO cooks Fran Colli, Dave Gallerani, Louie Russo, and Ed Disco. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



UNICO TICKET COLLECTOR Coppola. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

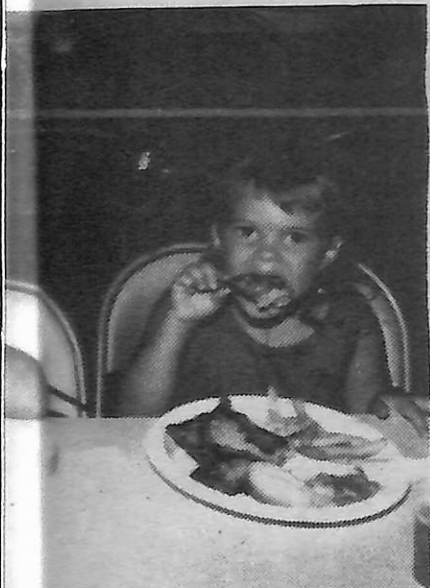
UNICO's Annual Summer Bash



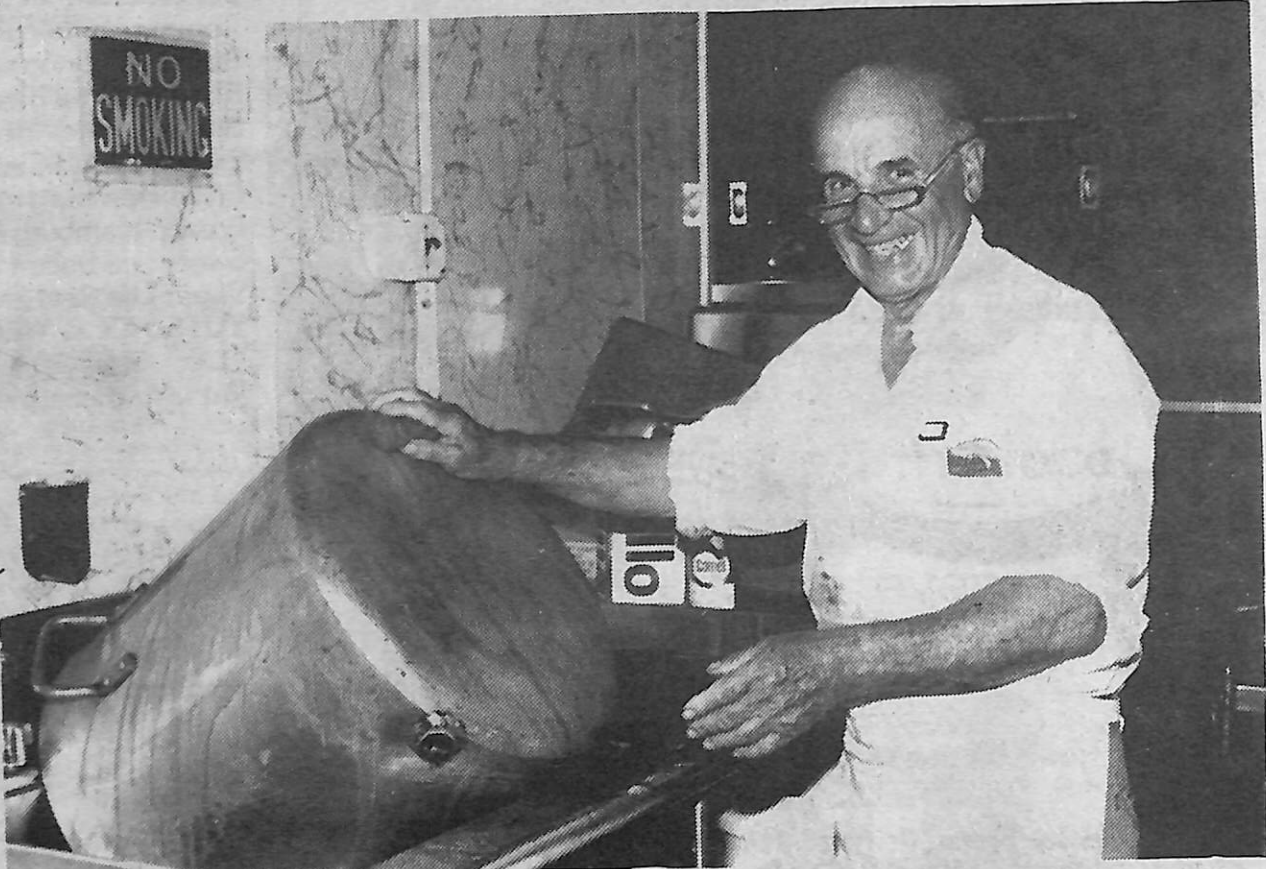
IANI and DANIEL BARRERO said the Chicken prepared by Agawam UNICO was delicious again this year. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



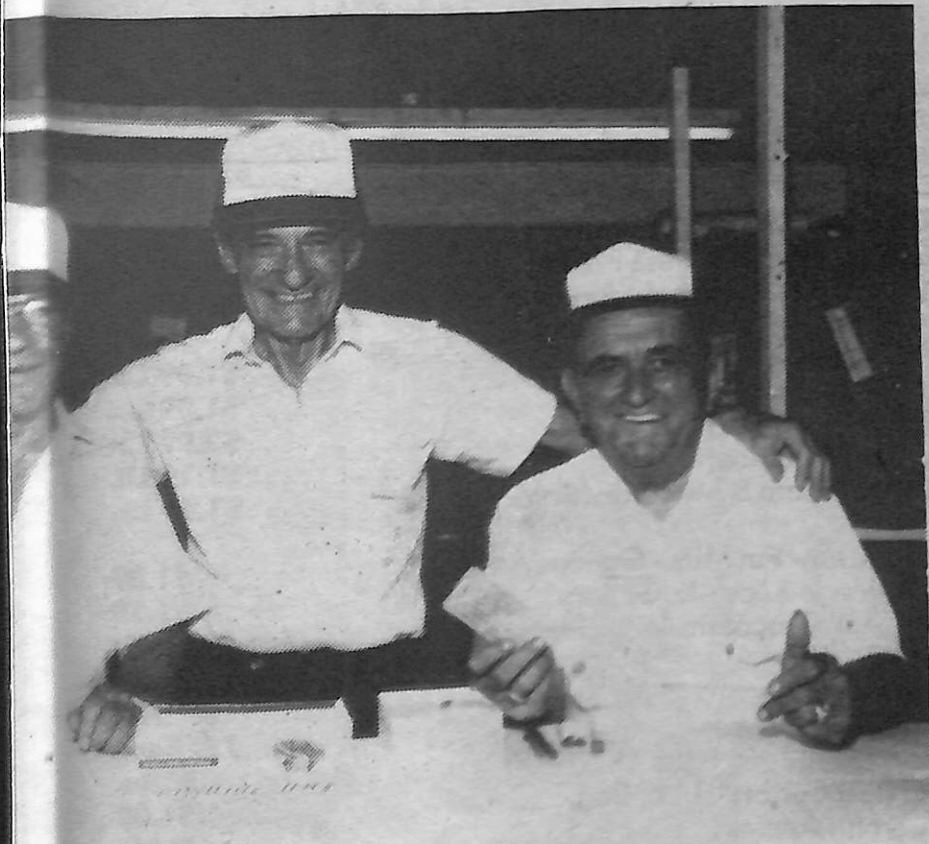
MARY & CHESTER HOYNOSKI just love their chicken dinners prepared by Agawam UNICO at the Polish American Club on July 30th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



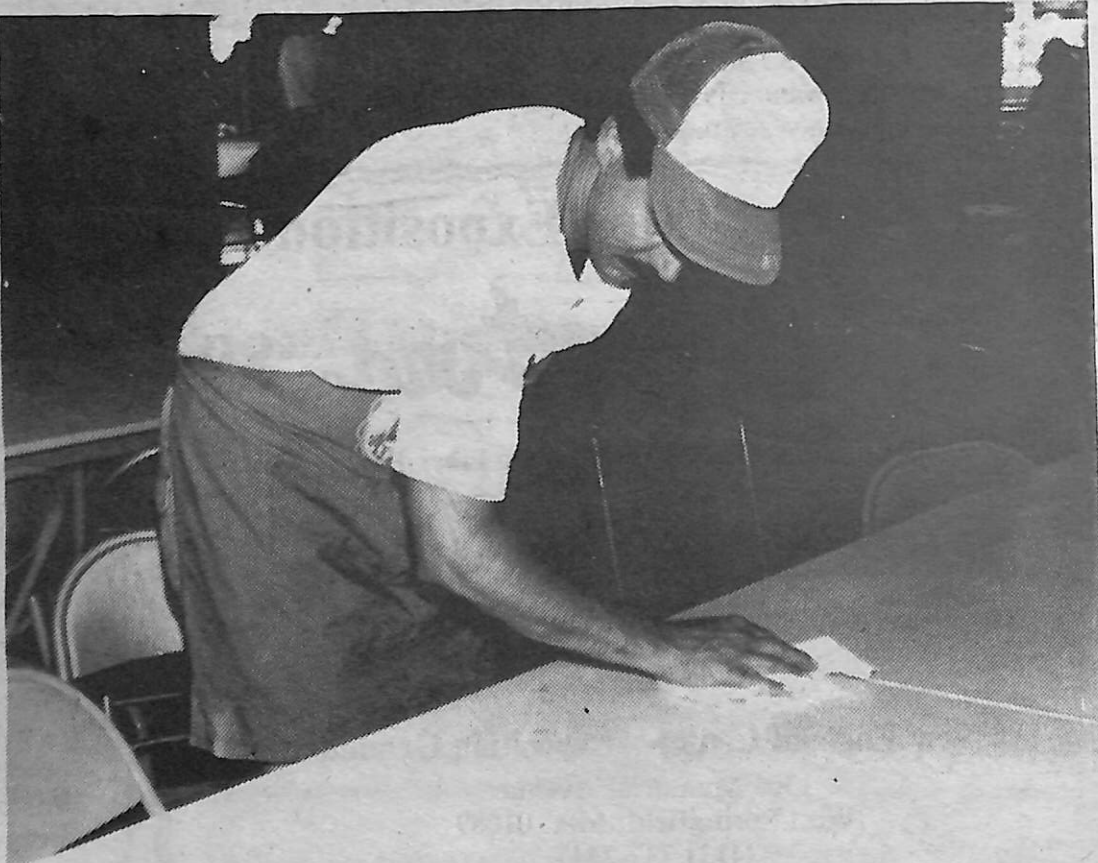
Domestic are, from left - Dominic and Daniel Barrero. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



UNICO MEMBER Vin Gallerani is a member of the clean-up crew at the Annual Chicken BBQ. Advertiser News photo by Christina Morassi.

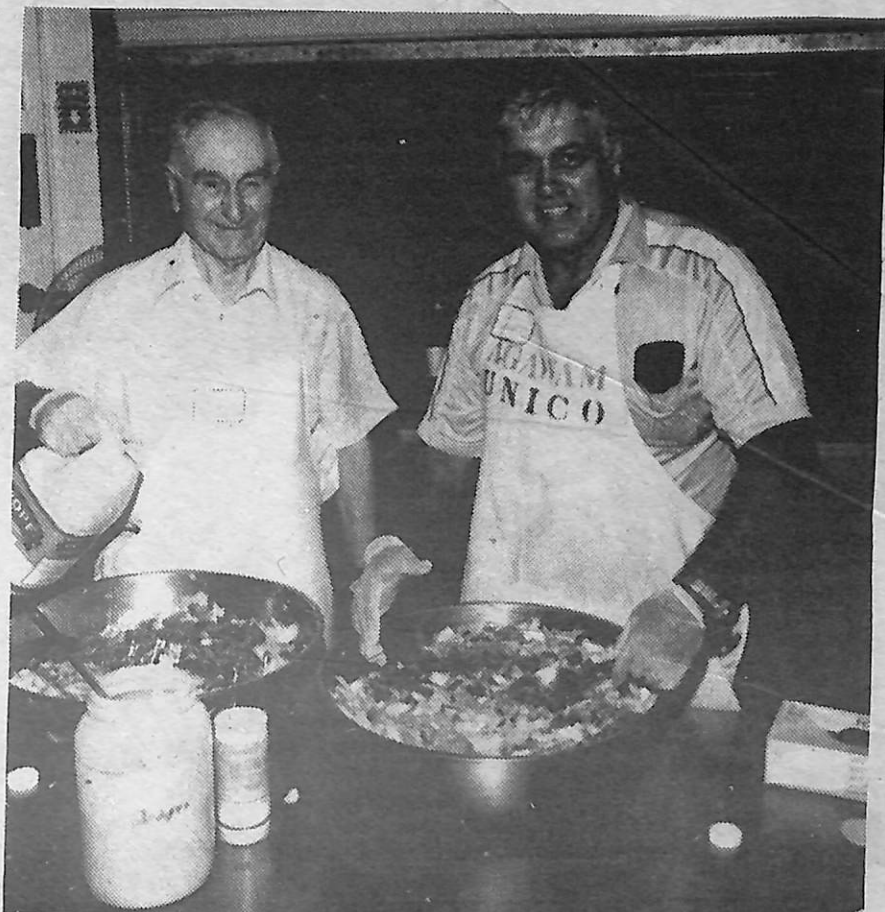


COLLECTORS, from left - Nick DiLisio, Bruno Maule, and Tom. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



PUT SOME ELBOW INTO IT - UNICO member Peter Forastiere helps clean-up following the Annual Chicken BBQ. Advertiser News photo by Christina Morassi.

We've Been Here For Years...



AGAWAM UNICO MEMBERS Al Malone (left) and Louie Draghetti were the chief salad-makers at the Annual Agawam UNICO Chicken BBQ, Sunday, July 30th, at the Polish American Club. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



THE GALLERANI KIDS, David and Lisa, are all smiles after receiving their Agawam UNICO Chicken BBQ dinners on July 30th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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TO OUR READERS: Our deadline for our "Back To School" issue is Monday, August 28th, at 10:00 a.m. Because of pressing deadlines to get this large issue out on time, we will be strictly enforcing our deadline. The office will be open on Sunday if you wish to drop your item off. You may slip it under the door all day on Saturday as well.



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LEGAL NOTICE
ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TOR-89-13
CITY OF AGAWAM
IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED
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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF
THE CITY OF AGAWAM

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 3, Animals & Fowl, of the Code of the City of Agawam.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AGAWAM AS FOLLOWS:

Chapter 3, Animals & Fowl, Section 3-1, is hereby amended as follows:

ADD TO SECTION 3-1 the following:

The City of Agawam accepts the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 140, Section 147A and is hereby empowered to enact by-laws and ordinances relative to the regulation of dogs under said provisions.

DELETE SECTION 3-1 (e) and substitute therefore the following:

ADD: (e) Reclaiming Impounded Dogs

An owner reclaiming an impounded dog shall pay an administrative fee of \$25.00 plus \$8.00 boarding charge for each dog for each day that the dog has been impounded.

DELETE SECTION 3-1 (k) and substitute therefore the following:

ADD: (k) Ordinance Violations, Penalties.

A violation of any provision or provisions of Chapter 3, entitled Animals & Fowl, of the Code of the City of Agawam shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$25.00 nor greater than \$50.00 per violation per dog. This penalty shall be assessed notwithstanding any other penalty or fine set forth elsewhere in the City Code. Each day that any violation exists shall constitute a separate violation under this provision. All fines and penalties shall be paid into the Treasury of the City of Agawam.

The Dog Officer shall be charged with the enforcement of this ordinance and shall issue a "Notice of Violation" to any offender of the ordinance. Said "Notice of Violation" shall be in the form of a citation as approved by the Dog Officer.

All violation notices must be properly returned to the Collector with payment of the fine within twenty-one (21) days of the date of violation. Failure to obey the violation notice within twenty-one (21) days after the date of violation may result in the appearance in court on a complaint.

DATED THIS Eleventh DAY OF August, 1989.

PER ORDER OF THE AGAWAM CITY COUNCIL
 Donald M. Rheault, President
 Agawam City Council

Published: August 24, 1989

For glossy copies of photos in this edition, townsfolk turn our pages every week...

Forastiere Funeral Homes Set Widow/Widowers Series

Tuesday, September 12th:

"OPTION," for a brighter tomorrow, emotional support for widows and widowers will hold a guest speaker program at Mt. Carmel Lower Church Hall, 123 William Street, Springfield, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Speaker will be Laura Maggio, PhD. "Understanding our Dreams." Free of charge, sponsored by the Forastiere, Colonial, and Southwick Funeral Homes. For more information and a brochure, call 733-5311.

Tuesday, September 26th, Tuesday, October 24th:

"OPTION," for a brighter tomorrow, support group for widows and widowers. This group is designed to provide the chance to learn from each other, from people who truly understand because they are widowed too. Free of charge. Two locations, Captain Charles Leonard House, 663 Main Street, Agawam, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., or Mt. Carmel Lower Church Hall, 123 William Street, Springfield, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Sponsored by the Forastiere, Colonial, and Southwick Funeral Homes. For more information and a brochure, call 733-5311.

Tuesday, October 10th:

"OPTION," for a brighter tomorrow, emotional support for widows and widowers will hold a guest speaker program at Mt. Carmel Lower Church Hall, 123 William Street, Springfield, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Guest speaker will be Jean Courtney, paralegal. "Consumer Rights." Free of charge, sponsored by the Forastiere, Colonial, and Southwick Funeral Homes. For more information and a brochure, call 733-5311.

Agawam Congregational To Hold Sunday Services

Sunday services continue at 9:30 a.m., at Agawam Congregational Church. Nursery care is provided.

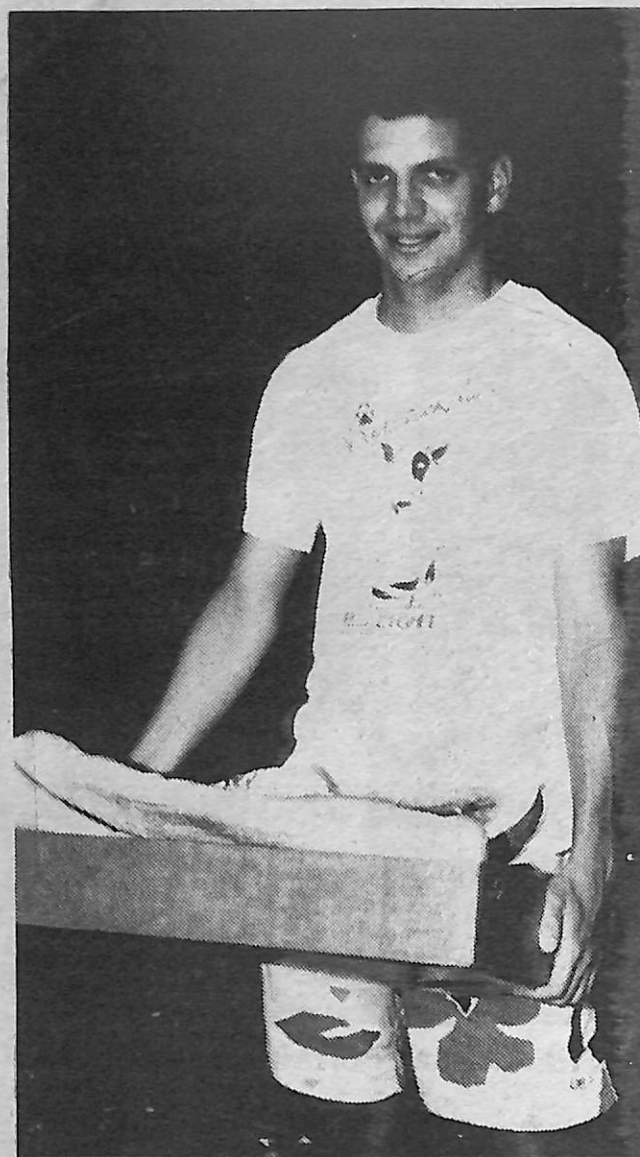
The Union Services with the Agawam Baptist Church continue until September 10th.

Polish Club Auxiliary Sets Annual Craft Fair Nov. 4

The Women's Auxiliary of the Polish American Club of Agawam will be holding their 7th Annual Craft Fair on Saturday, November 4th.

There are still some spaces available for those who wish to participate. For more information, contact Karen, 786-2005.

Chicken Take-Out



ED DROWNS needed a big box to carry-out all the chicken dinners he ordered from the recent Agawam UNICO Chicken BBQ at the Polish American Club in Feeding Hills. Advertiser

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THE CAPTAIN CHARLES LEONARD HOUSE as it appeared in 1934.



A SIDE ENTRANCE OF THE CAPTAIN CHARLES LEONARD HOUSE in 1934.



ONE OF THE PARLORS in the Captain Charles Leonard House in 1934.

August 1939 News Article Recalls Exciting Day Of Leonard House Incorporation

The trustees of the Captain Charles Leonard House have received word of the incorporation of the community house under the laws of Massachusetts. The organization will function as a nonprofit unit and is primarily for the use of townspeople, although a large number of outside organizations, clubs and private parties have engaged rooms at the center for social gatherings.

The house was formally opened September 12th and approximately 500 persons visited the historic house which was used in the early 1800's as a tavern and since then as a home. The corporate title of the house as recorded is "The Captain Charles Leonard House, Inc."

The trustees and their respective offices are as follows: Sidney F. Moore, president; Edwin Stewart, vice-president; Nathalie M. Worden, secretary; Elizabeth B. Pond, treasurer; Minerva J. Davis, Elsie W. Hastings and William R. Walker. At the September meeting of the Agawam Women's Club, it was voted to accept the offer of the board of trustees to assist in the management of the community house and the ex-

ecutive board appointed Mrs. Walter H. Loomis, Mrs. Phil V. Hembdt and Mrs. Hendrik Fickweiler to act as representatives of the club. As a gesture of appreciation the Women's Club made a gift of dishes, tables and silver for use at the house.

Once a month the community house holds a "community night" for the people in the town. A small admission charge is made to defray the slight expense entailed. Dancing is held in the pine room where a large combination radio and victrola, recently donated by a friend, furnishes music for modern and square dances. The basement has been equipped with various games, such as shuffle-board and ping-pong.

The house is in use constantly and supplies the need of a meeting place for work among organizations including Scouts, 4-H clubs and orders which had no designated assembling place. About a year and a half ago Mrs. Minerva J. Davis of Main Street purchased the house and since then has supervised the restoring of the building, later furnishing it with utmost care to preserve the colonial atmosphere which the architecture typified.

Plans Continue For Gala 50th Celebration Of Leonard House

Guests arriving at the attractive, historical Community House at 663 Main Street, Agawam, on September 10th, from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m., will be greeted cordially by Trustees President Richard Brindle and his Board members dressed in outfits of yesteryear.

An attempt will be made to recreate the time period lived by Captain Charles Leonard when the house was used as a Tavern Way Station on the route from Hartford to Albany and Boston. Standing on the front lawn will be a team of two handsome horses harnessed to a four-passenger, open-top carriage. The driver, Percy Fuller of Westhampton, is scheduled to make a symbolic carriage trip down Main Street, Agawam, from the former home of Mrs. Minerva Davis. Mrs. Davis was the generous, civic-minded Agawam resident who presented the Captain Charles Leonard House to the townspeople in September 1939, 50 years ago.

Inside of the spacious hallway of the Leonard House, special selections of music will be played by harpsichord artist Margaret Irwin Brandon. Imagination will carry one back to the days when this same hallway was filled with happy, dancing ladies and gentlemen with their smiling host, Captain Charles Leonard.

The main focus of attention will be on the Leonard House itself, with its beautiful front entrance framed by two colossal round columns. Stone steps lead to a wide six-panel front door flanked by sidelights and crowned overhead with an eye-catching fan window.

On the second floor level guests will notice an exquisite Palladian Window decorated with carved wood cornices. Just below the peak of the triangular gable roof is a fine elliptical leaded glass window bordered by a carved rope molding. Often have we heard visitors exclaim, "How fortunate you are to have such a beautiful Colonial Building for your Community House."

Visitors are also impressed with the spacious entry hall with its carved arch and period furniture. On either side of the hallway, one enters the north and south parlors, enhanced with wainscoting, side rails, dados, recessed windows, and deeply carved moldings, all of which are original, dating back to 1805 when the house was constructed for Captain Charles Leonard. Each parlor has its own fireplace with the original hearthstones. House records reveal that the large antique spinning wheel on the second floor was given by the late Mrs. Preston Worden, who was a close friend of Mrs. Davis.

One of the unique features of the House is its "Stage Coach Door" located on the driveway side of the building. This unusual door is hinged vertically down the middle to provide either a narrow opening or if needed, a full width for passage into the tap room which contains a Dutch oven and a flip closet used to dispense liquid refreshment.

Among the exhibits of early records and pictures will be a gold framed picture of Mrs. Minerva Davis on loan from the Agawam Public Library. Refreshments will be served and printed brochures of the Leonard House will be available to all guests as a souvenir of their visit.

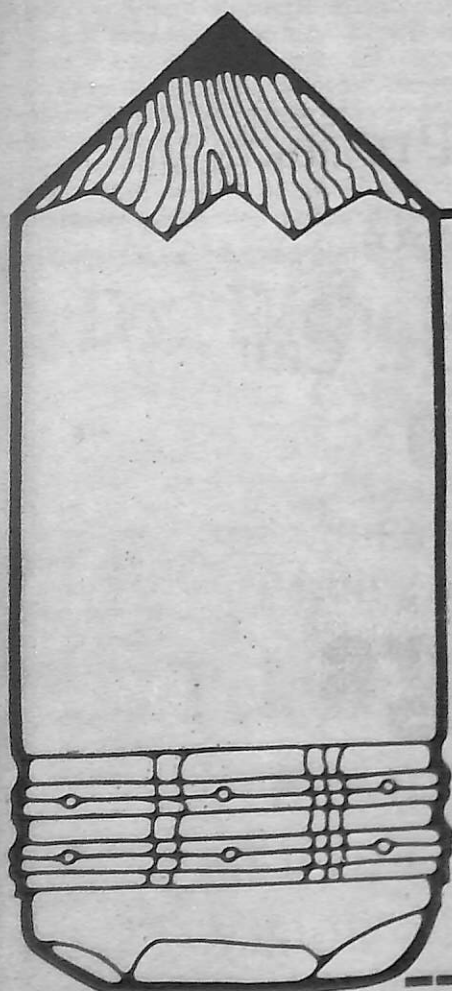
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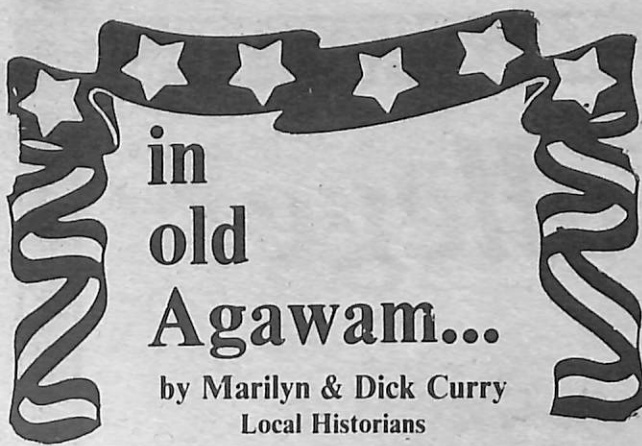
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Charles Blakesley, Civil War Victim From Agawam

Part II

Charles Blakesley, The Soldier

Without recourse to personal family records, it is most difficult to say with any degree of certainty as to the early childhood of any one of the 172 men from Agawam-Feeding Hills who fought during the Civil War.

Indeed, the process of research based upon scant records provides nothing short of piecemeal facts, as taken from countless historical writings (as they pertain more specifically to the overall activities of the person in question.)

When we first decided upon Charles Blakesley as a topic for an article, we had little information pertaining to the man, other than his being mentioned in *Everts' History* that he was among the 172 soldiers who came from Agawam.

Fortunately, Everts did include Blakesley among those who had been killed in the battle of Sailor's Creek. Again, the day and year were provided by this astute historian of the Connecticut Valley. The author states, "Charles Blakesley, killed April 6, 1865, at Sailor's Creek, Virginia."

Fortunately, Everts places Blakesley in the Massachusetts 37th Regiment, in which a number of local townsmen fought. We had access to that regiment's history, and upon this basis, we proceeded to extract further mention of the man.

Regimental History Of The 37th

According to the regimental history of the famous 37th, Charles Blakesley is listed as having transferred from the 10th Regiment to the 37th, December 21st, 1863. Such being the case, it is possible to assume that Blakesley had been a member of the 10th Regiment at an earlier date, perhaps at the time of its formation, sometime at the very outset of the war.

If this be the case, then Charles Blakesley might have seen considerable action prior to his transfer to the 37th. Certainly, he was a veteran before joining the latter unit!

In an event, it matters little when his service began; rather that he was an unfortunate victim at the final battle of the war!

The Ultimate Price At The Final Moment

It seems ironic that Charles Blakesley was among the few who were to pay the price of their lives during the closing hours of the war. Yet, history tells us that he was among the number of those men who participated in the last battle of the Civil War, who gave their lives as the Confederacy dealt its last strike against the Union forces.

The regimental history of the 37th describes the final hours of the battle in which Charles Blakesley met his death: "It was the 3rd of April, 1865, Lee's Army had evacuated Petersburg and Richmond, heading west toward its final date with destiny at Appomattox, with the Union forces in hot pursuit!"

By the time the Confederate Army had reached Sailor's Creek (Saylor's Creek), the Rebels were completely outflanked, save for the westward escape route toward Appomattox with the final hope of a now-remote chance at recovery!

Having left Petersburg, the 37th joined the other detachments of Grant's Army following General Lee's retreat. On Thursday, April 6th, the regiment was to

encounter one of the bloodiest battles of its history.

At this point in our story we refer to the 37th's record: "In such a struggle as the Thirty-seventh had passed through, where every man had proved himself a hero and fought largely on his own responsibility, it is impossible to note more than a few of the noteworthy deeds performed..."

From this narration, we are able to appreciate some miniscule insights as to the terrible ordeal encountered by the men of the 37th during its last moment of glory on the field of battle.

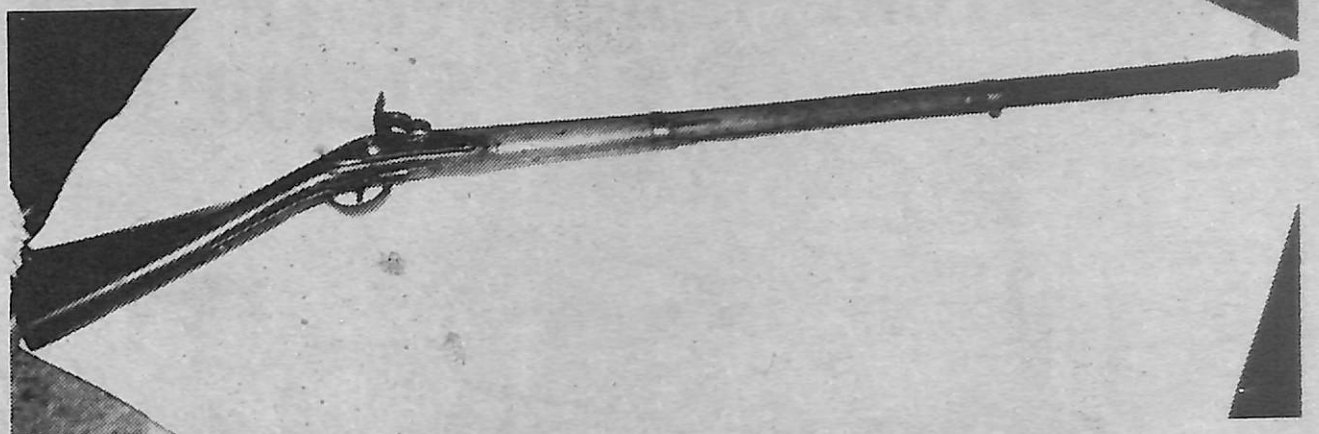
For a more in-depth description of the battle itself, in which Charles Blakesley was numbered, we again refer to the regimental account: "The Thirty-seventh had already marched more than 20 miles over the sandy, rolling, pine-covered country on that warm 6th of April, when the desultory artillery fire, which had been heard at intervals, assumed that steadiness which proclaimed

to the toiling infantry that their services were to be called for.

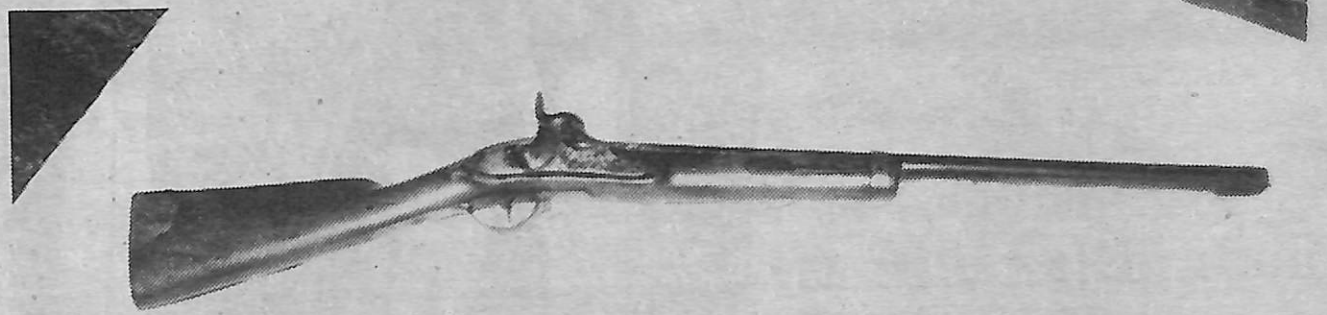
"Never had so many miles been made with such heart as the 70 marched over since leaving Petersburg, and dashing the sweat from their faces, the enthusiastic fellows began to fill the magazines of their rifles (the New Spencer rifle), to cast aside knapsacks, blankets, and superfluous clothing in preparation for the anticipated struggle.

"The men were ready to break into a run when the order to "double-quick" was received, and for three miles, they went forward at a pace which nothing but the intense excitement of the occasion could have enabled them to sustain."

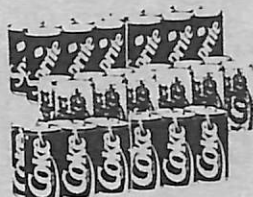
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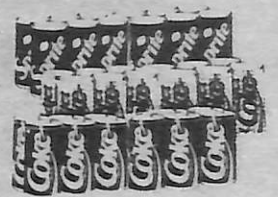


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RESIDENT OF THE WEEK

May Smith

May Smith was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, on January 12th, 1907. She was the second of seven children and has one living sister still residing in Scotland.

May attended school in Scotland, but left in her early teens to help care for her brothers and sisters. She came to America in 1950 and met her husband to be, Charles Franklin Smith, at a house party in West Springfield. He was an employee of Monsanto. May was a dressmaker by trade and did alterations at Forbes and Wallace in Springfield.

Charles and May resided in West Springfield and enjoyed traveling with the Shriners to exciting places, such as Germany and Africa. May taught Sunday School classes for many years as a young woman, enjoyed caring for small children, and was an accomplished knitter. She was very active in women's groups in various churches throughout her life.

She has one niece, Irene Thompson, who resides in West Springfield with her husband, Reverend Thompson, assistant minister of the Baptist Church. May lived in the North building, before joining our Heritage Hall West family, and she has been a very pleasant addition.

Come One, Come All To The Greatest Show On Earth!

That was the first resounding declaration heard as tables were put at their stations, electrical outlets were checked, and food services began their long vigil of preparatory work for our annual resident and staff summer picnic, Wednesday, August 16th.

At 11:30 a.m., we began our trek of transferring residents from their rooms to an outdoor "pavilion." There was an overflow of community spirit on the floors that day; truly an expression of that which is present already. Staff asked repeatedly if they could help and did so at the drop of a hat...or visor!

Once residents and family were seated at the tables, staff began serving and serving...servants they were. Let us not forget those staff within Heritage Hall East that made it possible for us to do our jobs outside. Thank you all for your commitment. We could not have done it without you.

*"With burgers and hot dogs
Chips of all kinds
Salads and drinks
And watermelon rinds*

*We topped it all off
With cake and ice cream
The day was so nice
It seemed like a dream*

*Some seventy residents
Were set at their places
Served and greeted
By staff's friendly faces*

*We thank you all
For your willing aid
Your friendship and love
A success you all made*

*A team we are
It was good to see
Us working in
Love and Unity."
Here's Tom!!!*

Tom Bilodeau is always a delight! He is always exploring different sounds on his equipment to perfect a good "Hawaiian" sound. "Tiny Bubbles," "The Night and You," and "Blue Hawaii" came off just fine.

Tom is also into comedy. Between sets he tells a story or two. "A Perfect Recipe for Chocolate Covered Grasshoppers," and "A Peach Tree Story," were among them. But, we hope that he continues what he does best, and it's not comedy!

There were the always popular "Toe Tappers,"



RESIDENT OF THE WEEK
May Smith

"Hand Clapper," and "Sing-A-Longs."

Helen Pfisterer, Lena DePinto, Emma Gamlin, and Lydia Parkas took advantage of the waltz melodies to "Tripped the Light Fantastic."

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH—APRIL

Betty Beauchane

Betty has been on the staff of Heritage Hall North since May, 1973 as a nursing assistant on the 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. shift until July, 1987, at which time

she transferred to the 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. shift. In reviewing Betty's file, the following was found: "Excellent employee, dependable and reliable, gives quality nursing care and is respected by staff and residents." Congratulations and thank you Betty!

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH—MAY

Vinnie Caracciolo

Vinnie has been on the staff of Heritage Hall North since August of 1981 as a nursing assistant on the 3:00 to 11:00 p.m. shift until May 1986 at which time she transferred to the 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. shift on a full-time basis. Vinnie's attendance record is outstanding as is her reliability and patient care. Vinnie is one of our quiet "cornerstones." Congratulations and thank you Vinnie!

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH—JUNE

Mary Gurton

Mary has been a member of the nursing staff since March 1982 beginning on the 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. shift on a part-time basis. In May 1982, she transferred to the 3:00 to 11:00 p.m. shift on a full-time basis and accepted the additional responsibility on "on-call" in March of 1987. Mary is extremely dependable, reliable, and very conscientious regarding quality patient care. She has the respect of her peers as well as co-workers. Congratulations and thank you Mary!

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH—JULY

Gina Maloney

Gina has been on the dietary staff of Heritage Hall North since April of 1986 and is primarily on the 4:15 to 7:45 assignment. Gina has developed into an outstanding member of the Dietary Department and is utilized in training new Dietary personnel. She is dependable and reliable; always pleasant with a smile on her face and always willing to do more than is expected or required.

Gina has been one of many Dietary personnel who helped keep Dietary afloat during the past several months by graciously accepting additional work time available due to various conditions. Congratulations and thank you Gina!

OLD AGAWAM - From Page 22...

When the time came, they showed their "true grit" based upon a firm commitment to family respect and responsibility; a love for state and country; and, a commitment to do what was expected of them!

Yes, we may be justly proud of these 172 townspeople. **Charles Blakesley was among their number and he would pay the ultimate price!**

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Spotlight On Business...

Sharon Walsh Of Agawam Passes CPA Exams

Sharon Walsh has been notified that she has recently passed the CPA exams. Candidates for Certified Public Accountant status must pass a five-part exam administered by the Board of Public Accounting and serve a term as an apprentice in an approved public accounting firm.

Sharon graduated from Bentley College in Waltham in May 1987, with a bachelor of science degree in accounting. At Bentley College, Sharon was a Dean's List student, a member of the honors internship program, and a member of Alpha Phi sorority.

She is presently employed by the accounting firm of Blum Shapiro in Farmington, Connecticut, where she was recently promoted to the position of staff II accountant.

Sharon is the daughter of John & Rosemary Walsh of 139 Pineview Circle, Agawam.

Kristine Walsh Passes Licensed Social Worker Exam

Kristine Walsh has recently been notified that she has passed the state exam to earn the title of Licensed Social Worker. Kristine graduated cum laude in May 1989 from Western New England College.

At Western New England College, Kristine earned a bachelor of social work degree, was a Dean's List student, and a member of the Psi Chi Honor Society.

Kristine is employed as the social worker at Longmeadow House and East Longmeadow Nursing Center in East Longmeadow.

Kristine is the daughter of John & Rosemary Walsh of 139 Pineview Circle, Agawam.



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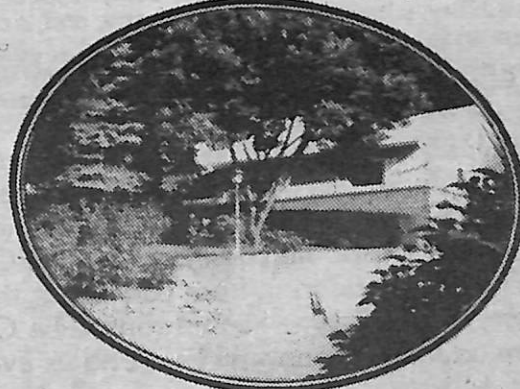
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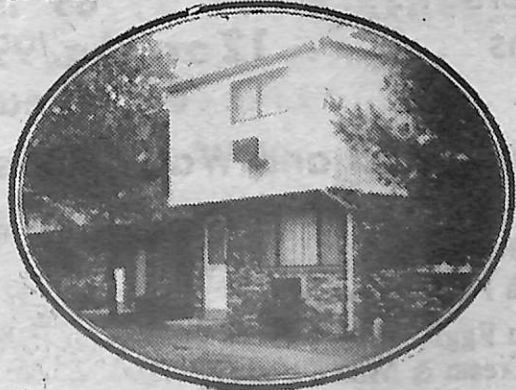
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Spotlight On Business - continued...



ENJOYING THEIR NEW TEDDY BEAR POOL are the Pais family of Westfield - from left - Janet, Michael, Carolyn; and Bob, who won the pool for Father's Day; and Stephen, who wrote the letter to WMAS FM 95 Radio explaining "Why Dad Should Win A Teddy Bear Pool For Father's Day."

Teddy Bear Pools Conducts 3-Week Giveaway

Teddy Bear Pools & Spas of Chicopee recently conducted a three-week long giveaway promotion in conjunction with WMAS FM 95 Radio. The promotion entailed a write-in contest to the station with the theme, "Why Dad Should Win A Teddy Bear Pool For Father's Day." Over 150 entries were received by WMAS FM 95.

The winner was announced Saturday, June 17th, during a live remote broadcast by WMAS from Teddy Bear Pools & Spas, 41 East Street, Chicopee. The Pais Family of Westfield was the recipient of a 24-foot Esther Williams Classic Round Above-Ground Pool, including \$1,000 worth of pool accessories. Stephen Pais, 12,

wrote the letter which included many reasons why his father, Bob, deserved the pool. Among those reasons, his father had been disabled during a chase while on the police force in Westfield, and "needed the pool for his bad back."

The family came to Teddy Bear Pools & Spas during the live radio broadcast to claim their prize. Stephen read the winning letter on the air.

Ted Hebert, owner of Teddy Bear Pools & Spas, was extremely happy with the response to the promotion and the entries received. He looks forward to doing a similar promotion next year.

Springfield Chamber's Women's Division Recognized For Service

The Women's Division of the Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce has won the right to fly the red, white and blue C-Flag, the symbol of the President's Citation Program for Private Sector Initiatives. The Flag, which bears the slogan "We Can - We Care," recognizes outstanding contributions to the American spirit of volunteerism and community action.

The Women's Division qualified for the C-Flag because of its involvement in the Reaching Goals Partnership Program, a mentorship of businesswomen matched with women reentering the workforce. This program will now be considered for the top 100 Private Sector Initiatives awards and citations to be presented by President Bush at the White House this summer.

The Citation Program was established in 1984 by the White House to recognize and stimulate extraordinary community involvement projects sponsored by businesses, trade association and professional societies. It reflects President Bush's belief that "volunteerism is more than a concept or ideology; it is a practical means of solving concrete problems." Further information about the award and the Reaching Goals Partnership may be obtained by calling Kelly Griffin at the Chamber, 787-1555.

Jack O'Neill Named New Exec. Director For Convenion Bureau

Jack O'Neill of Feeding Hills has been appointed executive director of the Greater Springfield Convention and Visitors Bureau.

O'Neill joins the non-profit agency with an extensive background in media and promotion. He is owner of the advertising agency Western Media group, located in Feeding Hills Center, and is active with many civic organizations in the area.

"We're extremely pleased to have a person of Jack O'Neill's caliber available to us. He will provide strong leadership and bring a great deal of enthusiasm to the position," said Springfield Civic Center Director Michael Graney, chairman of the candidate search committee. O'Neill will assume the directorship full-time on October 2nd.

The CSCVB serves Hampden, Hampshire, and Franklin Counties, promoting the region as a convention site and tourism destination.

O'Neill is a longtime TV and radio sports personality in this area, having worked for TV-Channel 40, and WHYN AM and FM Radio. He previously hosted a popular evening sports talk show for WHYN AM-56.

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QUESTION: Can a doctor of chiropractic do anything for numbness in the arms and hands? After sleeping with my neck in an improper position, I awoke with pins and needles in both arms and after two weeks, it shows no signs of going away. I've been applying heat and even exercising but it only helps temporarily.

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A condition, called vertebral subluxation, describes a problem that is much more common than previously thought. Unfortunately, it is often overlooked. Commonly the alignment of the vertebrae is disturbed so that pinching of nerves may occur. Neck, shoulder and arm pain or numbness may occur shortly afterward.

Falling asleep while reading in bed, or watching television, can be hazardous because the head and neck may not be supported properly. If you do this on a regular basis, be prepared for problems.

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window so big brothers and sisters have a chance to see a photograph of themselves when they come to see the baby for the first time.

Information is also provided to parents as to how they can make the adjustment for their children more positive. The class is taught by Mary Elkas, M.S., of Westfield.

The Sibling Class is held once a month and a modest fee is charged. Pre-registration for the program is required. For more information regarding the Sibling Class program, please call Alice Hodge or Kathy Lovell, Family Health Education coordinator at The Center for Women's Health. They can be reached at 539-2950, Monday to Friday, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Arthritis Support Group Slates Meeting Sept. 5

The Springfield Area Arthritis Support Group will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, September 5th, at 7:00 p.m. "Up-to-date Information Relative to Social Security Benefits" will be the topic presentation of Francis J. Campbell, field representative, Springfield Division of Social Security Administration.

The meeting will be held at the Springfield Elks Lodge No. 61, 440 Tiffany Street, Springfield.

Arthritis Support groups invite people with arthritis

and their families and friends to share common concerns and become better informed about this disease. Groups meet once a month, are led by trained volunteers, and are sponsored by the Arthritis Foundation Massachusetts Chapter. Programs are free of charge and open to the public. There is free literature available and good parking facilities. Refreshments are served.

Diabetic Teaching At Providence Hospital

The Providence Hospital Diabetic Teaching Program will present a series of free classes beginning Friday, September 8th, at 7:00 p.m., in the hospital conference room.

Mary Ellen Strzempko, R.N., C.D.E., Diabetic Teaching Nurse, said classes are open to all diabetics, their families, and the public. No advanced registration is necessary.

Mrs. Strzempko also runs the hospital's blood sugar level testing on the second Thursday of every month. The next one will be held on September 14th, from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m., in the auditorium. Those taking the test must fast from midnight. No advanced registration is necessary. A \$2 donation is asked to cover some of the

costs.

The September diabetic class schedule is as follows:
September 8th: An explanation of diabetes for diabetics including signs and symptoms.

September 15th: Administration of insulin, reactions, oral medications, and signs of shock and coma.

September 22nd: Blood and urine glucose monitoring, more shock and coma discussion, and Dr. Robert Fleischer, Springfield podiatrist, will discuss foot care.

September 29th: A dietitian will discuss diet and the entire program will be reviewed.

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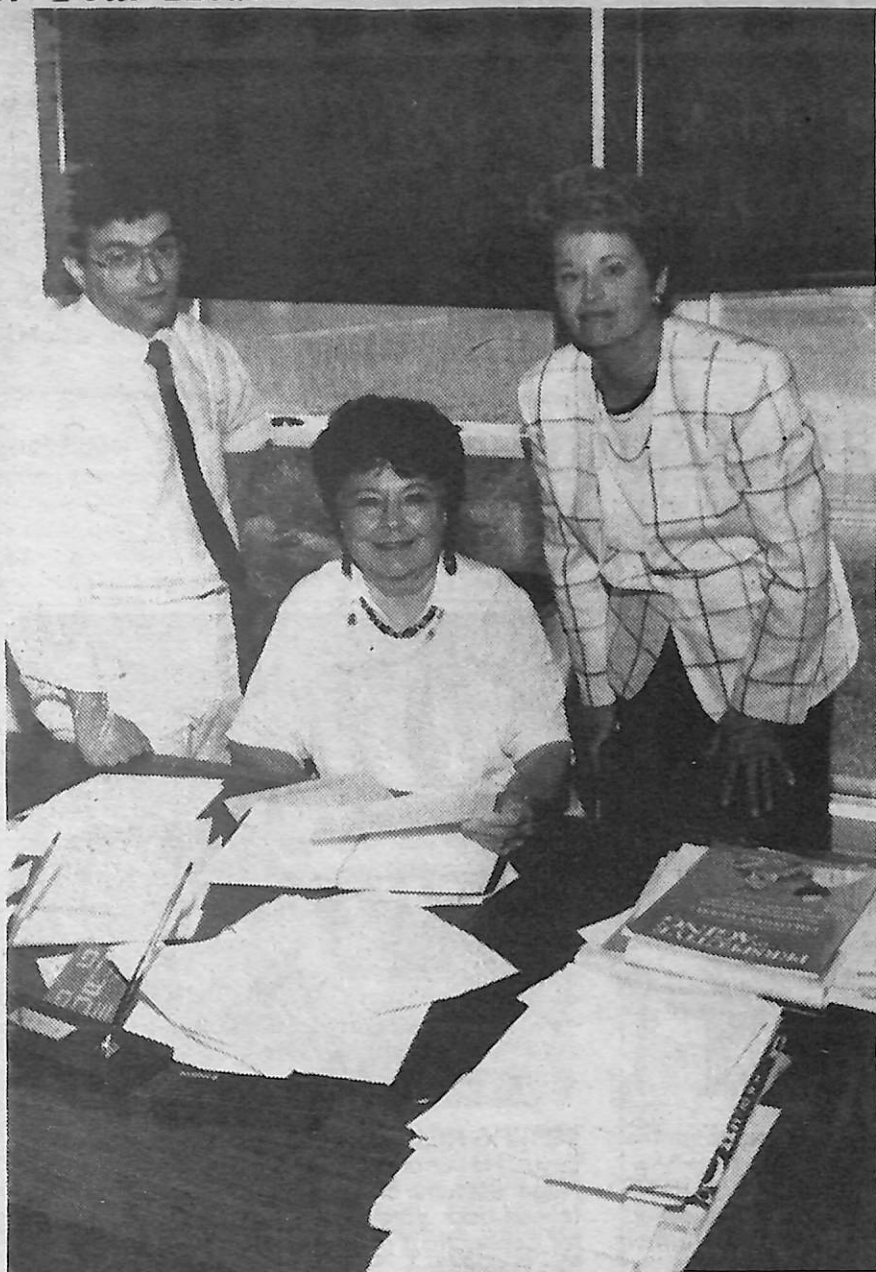


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Support Your Health Goal Of Heritage Hall/Ag. COA

"Supporting Your Health," is the goal of Heritage Hall Nursing Centers and the Agawam Council on Aging, cosponsors of the Community Health Expo this year. More than 35 health care providers and exhibitors will participate in the event scheduled for Tuesday, October 3rd, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at the Senior Center on Wright Street in Agawam.

Attendees can take advantage of many free examinations, screenings, tests, and demonstrations under one roof. Cholesterol and blood sugar testings, and dental, eye, ear, and foot examinations will be available throughout the day. Information on health, nutrition, home care, transportation and disease prevention will be offered by many exhibitors.

The Community Health Expo-89 is an excellent place to receive a wide range of services and information on how to maintain good health. The event is open to the general public, and admission is free. There will be a \$3 fee for cholesterol testing. More information on the event is available by calling Pauline Mercadante, 786-0400, or Barbara Crawford, 786-8000.

Providence Hospital Sets Arthritis Lecture Sept. 8th

The next Arthritis lecture, diet fads and other myths/real facts, a free monthly education program of the Providence Hospital Rheumatology Service, will be held on Friday, September 8th, from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m., in the hospital auditorium.

Shankar Garg, M.D., Rheumatologist, will give the lecture which will include slides and a question and answer period. The lecture is free of charge and open to the public.

The program is held on a monthly basis and addresses a different aspect of arthritis each time.

Dr. Garg conducts the hospital's Rheumatology Consultation Service which meets each Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at the hospital. Patients are referred to this service for evaluation and treatment by their own physician. Appointments may be made by contacting Dr. Garg's office.

Persons with questions on the education program or the consultation service may contact Dr. Garg, 536-5111.

Red Cross Has Babysitting At Kent Library

Suffield: A Red Cross Certified Babysitting Course will be offered in October at the Emergency Aid Association (Suffield Visiting Nurse Association), 450 South Street, Suffield.

Cosponsored by the Suffield Visiting Nurse Association and the Friends of Suffield, this six-week course will be open to students in grades six, seven, and eight. The series will be held Tuesday evenings, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., October 3rd through November 14th (no class will be held on October 31st).

Instructors will include members of the Suffield Police Department, Suffield Fire Department, Suffield Ambulance Association, as well as a public school teacher, a registered nurse, and a social worker.

Please call Pat Moreau, 668-2419, or Jean Sutton, 668-2545, to register for the course or obtain more information.

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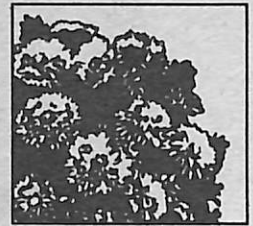
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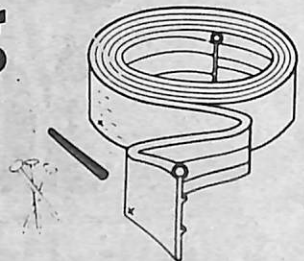
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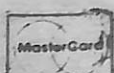
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PHILM REVIEW

by Phil Benoit
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—The Abyss: 3 STARS

Early in 1989, Hollywood gave us the pitifully bad *Deepstar Six* and the mediocreatively entertaining *Leviathan*, a pair of underwater thrillers which dealt with deadly monsters that preyed upon unsuspecting oceanic explorers. Now, the motion picture industry has dived once again into our planet's unknown waters and has come up with a well-executed adventure titled *The Abyss*, wherein benevolent, sea-dwelling extraterrestrials are inadvertently discovered by a team of U.S. Navy divers and undersea oil drillers who've combined forces to search for an American nuclear submarine that has met with a mysterious fate among the unexplored depths of the Atlantic Ocean.

Written and directed by the highly talented James Cameron (*The Terminator*, *Aliens*), *The Abyss* is a technically top-notch piece of filmmaking. The underwater cinematography has to go down as some of the most painstaking and breathtaking footage that's ever been shown on the silver screen, and the result is an undeniably atmospheric and visually stunning production that perfectly enhances the storyline's ocean-oriented intrigue.

Unfortunately, where the movie falls short of the mark is in its science-fiction elements. *The Abyss* can be regarded as a cross between *Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea* and *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*, and while the deep-sea action and drama of its plot are exciting and first-rate, its sci-fi aspects are unarguably all-too-familiar.

If you haven't seen a large number of films dealing with otherworldly beings, then this picture is bound to consistently keep you on the edge of your seat; but, if you are a die-hard fan of science-fiction cinema, then the humans-meet-aliens developments within this picture are sure to leave you with a somewhat ho-hum feeling.

Still, despite this apparent shortcoming, *The Abyss* is definitely worthwhile, and it must be said that its greatest strength is its superlative acting. In the role of the leader of the undersea oil drillers, Ed Harris (*The Right Stuff*) comes off as a brusque yet likable hero whose personality is highlighted by dauntless bravery and blue-collar manliness.

Meanwhile, as the movie's antagonist, Michael Biehn (*Aliens*) is both seethingly creepy and ingratiatingly pitiful as a Navy diver who, as a consequence of his latest mission in such deep waters, contracts a disease which leads him to become mentally unstable and violently paranoid.

And, best of all, Mary Elizabeth Mastrantonio (*The January Man*) rakes for the kind of engaging heroine whom we've come to expect from Cameron's films.

(Remember Linda Hamilton as Arnold Schwarzenegger's slayer in *The Terminator*? Or the Oscar-nominated Sigourney Weaver as the inimitable space-traveller Ripley in *Aliens*?).

Portraying an oil-rig engineer who just happens to be the estranged wife of Harris' character, this young actress effectively displays no-nonsense gutsiness that is frequently tempered by her own poignant femininity, and her on-screen, emotionally turbulent relationship with Harris serves as a most important romantic crux for the picture's ensuing and perilous events.

—Eddie and the Cruisers II: Eddie Lives!: 3 STARS

In this surprisingly good sequel to the downright lousy 1983 original, a presumed-dead rock singer by the name of Eddie Wilson (Michael Pare) decides to return to the world of music 20 years after his "fatal" automobile accident, and using an alias, brings together a group of struggling musicians who long to have their own chance to shine in the show biz spotlight.

Six years ago, *Eddie and the Cruisers* was a box-office flop because it was, in fact, a painfully dull and lamely acted rock-and-roll saga that received virtually no critical acclaim whatsoever and suffered from disastrously negative word of mouth. However, I have a feeling that *Eddie and the Cruisers II* will ultimately fare better than its unillustrious predecessor because it is an infinitely superior picture that's apt to please those moviegoers who are interested in seeing it. The story is not only inherently interesting but also energetically paced, and this energy definitely extends to the pulse-pounding soundtrack (which, incidentally, features songs by John Cafferty and the Beaver Brown Band, the makers of the original film's highly popular score).

Though it is an admittedly predictable and clichéd rags-to-riches drama, *Eddie and the Cruisers II* does boast solid performances which are able to offset the liabilities of the script, namely those by Marina Orsini as a painter who provides Eddie with much emotional support and inspiration; Bernie Coulson in the part of a brash young guitarist for whom Eddie acts as a mentor; and Anthony Sherwood as a veteran saxophonist who possesses much street-wise savvy.

At the same time, Pare is very memorable in the title role, and his commendable efforts were certainly unexpected because up until now, this not-well-known young actor has done inauspiciously poor work in such forgettable tripe as *Streets of Fire*, *The Philadelphia Experiment*, and in his initial appearance as Eddie

Wilson. Yet, this time around, Pare is rawly eloquent as an emotionally troubled singer-musician whose self-imposed, 20-year exile arose from a deep-down sense of insecurity, and whose newfound courage to return to the stage was something that came about after unwittingly meeting gung-ho and wet-behind-the-ears

musical artists who reminded him of the way he once was in his younger days.

—Lock Up: 2½ STARS

A hackneyed but enjoyable prison drama about an upstanding, well-behaved inmate (Sylvester Stallone) who's going to be a free man in just six months. However, a vindictive and brutal warden (Donald Sutherland) at another prison has a score to settle with this particular inmate, and he is determined to do whatever he can to keep this convict from ever returning to society.

Lock Up is by no means an Oscar-caliber flick; for that matter, it comes nowhere close to such superb, jail-oriented movies as Paul Newman's *Cool Hand Luke*, Steve McQueen's *Papillon*, or Clint Eastwood's *Escape From Alcatraz*. Nevertheless, it does manage to be a rousing B-movie that's replete with much macho action as it depicts the intestinal fortitude and intelligence of a desperate convict who is forced to endure a seemingly endless stream of inhuman physical and mental abuse at the hands of a merciless adversary.

Besides having such noteworthy acting by players like John Amos (*Coming to America*) as a stern yet essentially fair prison guard, Sonny Landham (*Predator*) in the role of a dangerous, life-sentence inmate, and especially Sutherland (*Lost Angels*) as the hatefully villainous warden, *Lock Up* also happens to showcase Stallone's finest performance since 1982's *Rocky III*, which shortly preceded the beginning of his ego-inflating craze as the stone-faced and robot-like John Rambo.

In his latest part, Hollywood's "Italian Stallion" actually displays a sense of all-too-human vulnerability as well as he-man physical prowess and Herculean willpower, thereby rendering this man as a believable protagonist who actually experiences some genuine suffering before he sets out to take revenge against Sutherland's thoroughly nefarious character.

—A Nightmare on Elm Street 5: The Dream Child: 1½ STARS

Two weeks ago, I had the dubious pleasure of reviewing the interminable slice-and-dice antics of the hockey-masked Jason Voorhees in *Friday the 13th, Part VIII—Jason Takes Manhattan*. Well, this week I have a similar task before me in that I now have to focus my attention on the equally evil machinations of everyone's favorite phantom, Freddy Krueger (a.k.a.

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Exhibitors and volunteers are sought for the event, which has taken place at the Exposition for many years and has come to acquire very high-quality exhibit standards. Approximately 600 entries are anticipated this year.

Entries will be accepted in 14 areas of artistry: hooked rugs, yarn made rugs, braided rugs, sheared punch needle rugs, shirret rugs, hand weaving, canvas embroidery, counted thread work on even weave fabric, surface stitchery embroidery, quilts, handknitting, machine knitting, crochet and lace.

Entry forms must have been received by August 1st; items were due by August 21st.

There will also be two special divisions featured this year. "Fair Time in New England" may be any class of fiber/fabric artwork with a motif to capture the essence and excitement of this time honored New England tradition. The "Create a Flag" contest requires the entrant to develop a theme that captures the mood of any one of the four seasons, for an outdoor flag.

Two or more persons, experts in the class which they'll be judging, will share in the evaluation of entries in that particular category of artwork. There are about 25 judges, who will determine cash prizes and ribbons for the top exhibits in each class. Those with highest honors will be recognized at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, August 25th. Door prizes will be drawn Sunday, August 27th.

Adding an international flavor to the show this year will be two exhibits from South America; colorful tapestries by women of Chile depicting life in that country, entitled "Scraps of Life," as well as delicate lacework by women of Medellin, Colombia.

In addition to the exhibits, craft lovers may learn through daily demonstrations and mini lectures, which will feature a wide variety of up to date topics!

CraftAdventure '89 needs the help of many volunteers. Any craft lover interested in volunteering is urged to contact the CraftAdventure office.

Prospective entrants and volunteers should contact CraftAdventure, Eastern States Exposition, 1305 Memorial Avenue, West Springfield, MA, 01089, or call 787-2443 for more information.

Early Birds Can Save \$\$\$

The Big E, "New England's Great State Fair," will be offering substantial savings on admission and midway tickets this year to schools, businesses, and other interested parties. The 68th annual Big E will take place September 13th-24th, in West Springfield.

The "Early Bird" advance ticket program at the Exposition allows admission tickets to be bought for \$4, a savings of \$2 off the already low price, when 15 or more tickets are purchased before September 1st.

With the one-time admission price, fairgoers can enjoy free entertainment including stars like Chubby Checker, Tanya Tucker and The Four Preps at the Bandshell, the Big E Circus under the Big Top, horse shows, the Kurt Thomas' Gymnastics America Show, a daily parade, Storowton Village, the Avenue of States, and much more.

The Big E's Magic Midway features over 50 heart pounding amusement rides, kiddie rides and numerous games of skill.

From June 1st-September 8th, organizations may order Magic Midway Coupon Books in increments of 100, and save 50 percent off of the original book value. The books have a face value of \$10.80 each, but will be offered for \$5.40 through the Midway Ride Discount Coupon Program.

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actor Robert Englund, who must be a very rich man by now), in his latest opus, *A Nightmare on Elm Street 5: The Dream Child*.

Briefly, Freddy's goal this time around is to inhabit the dreams and, thus (I presume), possess the mind and body of the unborn infant of Alice (Lisa Wilcox), a pregnant teenage girl who—to everyone's surprise—somehow provided bad ole Freddy with a bit of a comeuppance in *A Nightmare on Elm Street 4*.

What can I now say that I—or anyone else—haven't already said about the *Elm Street* series since it began over four-and-a-half years ago? In short, Freddy's fright fests are significantly better than Jason's, courtesy of their utilization of the best state-of-the-art "gore" effects that money can buy. Yet, by the same token, the adventures—or should I say misadventures—of Freddy Krueger have long been milked for all that they're worth (and, believe me, I'm using the word "worth" very loosely). Therefore, any further entries in this saga of slaughter are pretty much guaranteed to be nothing but cranked-out and moth-eaten clones.

Next year, if *A Nightmare on Elm Street 6* happens to become a reality, I can tell you here and now that I'll probably be tempted to pull out one of my old reviews on one of the previous *Elm Street* sequels and reprint it with very few changes. After all, if the makers of these films can't come up with anything new, why should I be bothered to write anything new?

—Young Einstein: 2½ STARS

During the past decade, Australian motion pictures have become quite popular with American moviegoing audiences, and some of these pictures have spawned a number of easy-to-recognize characters. For example, "road warrior" Mel Gibson presented us with a post-apocalyptic hero in the trilogy of *Mad Max* movies; and, of course, Australian spokesperson Paul Hogan regaled us with an abundance of down-under humor and charm in the pair of "Crocodile" Dundee romantic comedies-cum-adventures.

And now, a bizarre "mate" who goes by the name of Yahoo Serious is trying to reap our box-office dollars with *Young Einstein*, an unbelievably offbeat farce that's already become a phenomenal hit back in his own country.

In *Young Einstein*, the wacky and wild-haired Mr. Serious rewrites history and portrays the German-born physicist Albert Einstein as a Tasmanian apple farmer who, in the early 20th century, accidentally comes up with his theory of relativity while trying to invent a way to make his flat, home-brewed beer foamy.

At this point in my review, I must frankly state that it would be pointless to say a great deal more about *Young Einstein*. A quintessential example of eccentric filmmaking at its most extreme, this comedy almost defies words and can be best described as an eclectic hybrid of such elements as the energetic kookiness of the Marx Brothers, the rock-and-roll-oriented comedy style of *The Monkees* television series (remember that old show?), and the slyly satirical and irreverent wit of *Monty Python's Flying Circus*.

In conclusion, the only way that you can really fathom the true extent of the off-the-wall qualities of *Young Einstein* is to bravely venture forth to a movie theater and actually experience it for yourself. Personally, I found it to be an occasionally humorous oddity which has its share of delightfully surprising moments, but after seeing it for myself, I have to confess that this is certainly one picture which is extremely difficult for me to predict with any accuracy as to who I think will like it and who I think won't.

*THE PHILM GUIDE FOR PARENTS:

—The Abyss: Rated PG-13 for the intensity of some of its suspenseful scenes, and a bit of brief, innocent nudity.

—Eddie and the Cruisers II: Eddie Lives!: Rated PG-13 for some mature language and situations.

—Lock Up: Rated R primarily for the graphic nature of its brutal violence.

—A Nightmare on Elm Street 5: The Dream Child: Rated R for gruesome special effects, strong violence, and some suggestive nudity.

—Young Einstein: Although it contains a bit of intentionally humorous and innocent nudity, this PG-rated film is still suitable for moviegoers of all ages.

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Ag. Arts Council Announces Grants Winners

The Agawam Arts and Humanities Council is pleased to announce the recipients of the Massachusetts Art Lottery grant money for the spring cycle, 1989.

They are as follows:

Springfield Orchestra Association: for the project called "Sound Foundations." This is a progressive three-tiered educational approach designed to bring music and music education in Agawam's Public Schools. The program begins with the training of a docent and his or her subsequent visit to the classroom, progresses to an ensemble presentation in the school, and culminates with a full-orchestra concert in Symphony Hall.

Jerome Radin: for the printing of "Illustrated Philosophy/Art: The 'One-World Concept'." This textbook will be used for classes held in Senior Citizen Centers and Adult Education Courses in several areas.

Genevieve Hugabone: toward the purchase of a professional quality guitar and to attend a summer guitar seminar.

Donald Bastarache: for a concert of "Big Band Music of The 30's And 40's."

Agawam Middle School: for an author in residence project.

Agawam Arts & Humanities Council: for the First

Friday Series, bus trips, cultural programs, and to purchase a piano for the proposed cultural center in Agawam.

The approved P.A.S.S. applications are:

Agawam Middle School: for grade five students' attendance of the Stage West performance of stories based on the American Plain Indians.

James Clark School: for the performance of "A Wrinkle In Time" at Springfield Symphony Hall.

Granger P.T.O.: for the performance of "Pinocchio" at the Springfield Symphony Hall.

Robinson Park School: for "A Wrinkle In Time" and "Pinocchio" at Springfield Symphony Hall.

Agawam Senior High: for students to attend the performance of "Don Quixote" by the Boston Ballet in the Wang Center of the Performing Arts, in Boston.

Grant applications are being accepted now from anyone interested in obtaining a Massachusetts Art Lottery Grant. The grants must be typed on the new forms located in the Agawam Library and the Town Hall. Deadline for applications is September 12th, 1989. They may be brought to the Agawam Town Hall, 36 Main Street, or mailed to Evelyn Lester, 59 Morningside Circle, Feeding Hills, MA, 01030.

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- 1 teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme
- ¼ cup minced fresh parsley (optional)
- 4 small onions, 1¼ inches in diameter and parboiled 5 minutes
- 8 ripe firm cherry tomatoes
- 8 large mushrooms
- 1 green bell pepper cut into 8 squares
- 1 red bell pepper cut into 8 squares
- 1 zucchini, sliced into one-inch pieces
- 4 cups cooked white or saffron rice

Marinate beef cubes overnight in first eight ingredients. Preheat broiler. String the meat alternating with vegetables onto skewers. Brush with marinade and broil about 4 inches beneath heat for 5 minutes on each side. Brush marinade at least 3 times while cooking. Serve on a bed of rice if desired. Sprinkle with minced parsley. Makes 4 servings.

It is said that "the history of the table of a nation is the reflection of its civilization."

Mexican cuisine is one of the fastest growing types of food served in the United States. Throughout the U.S., people are enjoying Mexican meals, from tacos to enchiladas.

No specific date or place on the map marks the beginning of what we know today as Mexican cuisine. Gradually, cooking was no longer exclusively Spanish and no longer exclusively Indian. The distinctive flavors and recipes of Mexican cuisine resulted from various taste combinations from these cultures.

In 1810, Mexico gained its independence from Spain. In celebration of this historic event, chiles en nogada, a fiery chili dish was created using ingredients with the colors of the new Mexican flag—green, white, and red.

In keeping with that tradition, the Ortega Mexican food experts have done the same for this year's

celebration on September 16th. Fit for a fiesta—this dish will be the hit of the festivities.

Chicken Ole

- 2 whole boneless chicken breasts, split
- 1 (12-ounce) jar Ortega Mild, Medium or Hot Thick and Chunky Salsa
- 1 cup shredded Monterey Jack cheese (4 ounces)
- ¼ cup chopped parsley

Arrange chicken breasts in 12x8x2-inch baking pan. Bake at 350°F for 15 minutes; drain if necessary. Spoon salsa over chicken; top with cheese. Bake 20 minutes more or until chicken is done. Garnish with parsley and serve. Makes four servings.

Preparing—and enjoying—lighter, healthier meals is a snap when you practice the age-old art of Chinese stir-frying. In this classic, the distinctive flavors and bright hues of green, red and yellow bell peppers accent tender beef and onions. And, it's easy to achieve an authentic Oriental flavor when you use bottled Kikkoman Stir-Fry Sauce. There's no measuring, mixing or fussing because all the seasonings needed are pre-blended and right in the bottle. For a stir-fry that appeals to the eye as well as the palate, be sure to cut the meat and vegetables the same size. Serve with steamed rice and savor the goodness of this timeless Chinese specialty.

Classic Chinese Pepper Steak

- 1 pound boneless beef sirloin steak
- 1 tablespoon Kikkoman Stir-Fry Sauce
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil, divided
- 2 medium-size green, red or yellow bell peppers, chunked
- 2 medium onions, chunked
- ¼ cup Kikkoman Stir-Fry Sauce
- Hot cooked rice (optional)

Cut beef across grain into thin strips, then into 1-inch squares; coat with 1 tablespoon stir-fry sauce. Heat 1 tablespoon oil in hot wok or large skillet over

high heat. Add beef and stir-fry 1 minute; remove. Heat remaining oil in same pan. Add peppers and onions; stir-fry 5 minutes. Stir in beef and ¼ cup stir fry sauce; cook and stir just until beef and vegetables are coated with sauce. Serve immediately with rice. Makes 4 servings.

Micro-Easy:

Crunchy Munchy Pizza Snack

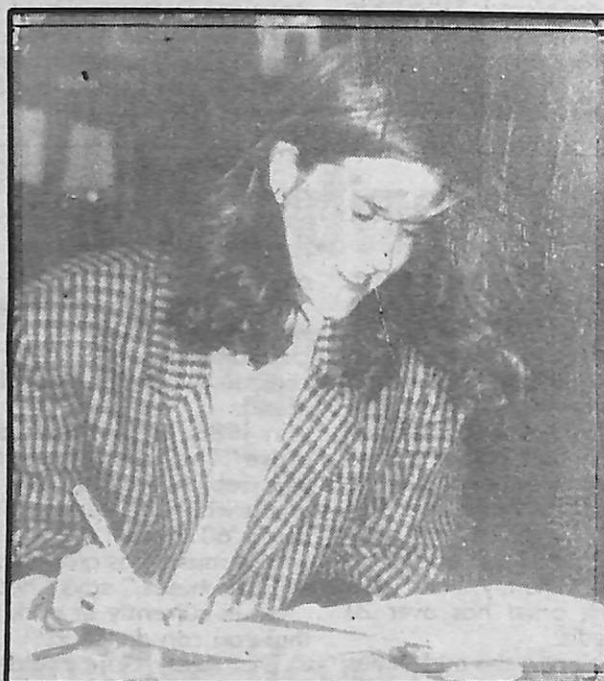
This easy-to make recipe was "kid tested" by Girl Scouts. A troop was invited to the Reynolds Wrap Kitchen to make and taste all of the recipes in "Kids Microwave Munchies." They approved all the recipes because they were easy to make and tasted great!

It's amazing these pizza snacks become crisp after being microwaved! There are no dirty dishes to clean when you use Cut-Rite wax paper to line the plate.

- 1 small pita bread
- 1 tablespoon butter or margarine, softened
- 1/8 teaspoon garlic powder
- ½ teaspoon oregano leaves
- 1 tablespoon grated Parmesan cheese
- Paprika

Place sheet of Cut-Rite wax paper on a microwave safe plate. Cut pita bread in half to form two thin circles. Place on wax paper. Spread butter on the rough side of each circle. Sprinkle each circle with half of the garlic powder, oregano, and cheese. Sprinkle each circle with paprika. With scissors or knife, cut each circle into 4 triangles. Arrange triangles to form circle around the edge of the plate. Place in microwave oven; set HIGH (100 percent power). Set time for 1 minute. Start oven. After 1 minute use pot holder and turn plate halfway around. Microwave on HIGH for 1 minute more. After 1 minute if the pita triangles are not crisp and edges curled up, microwave on HIGH for 10 to 30 seconds more. Use pot holders to remove from oven. Let cool one minute. Makes 2 servings.

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August Place To Be...

Saratoga!

I changed hats this month and went from travel agent to tour director when I escorted my "Sesame Seed" friends to Saratoga for a weekend at the track and shopping.

Saratoga IS the place to be in August and it's difficult to explain why. I guess it's because of the atmosphere that abounds and how do you describe atmosphere—you have to experience it. Broadway, the main street, is beautifully landscaped with an abundance of impatiens and petunias.

The street is dotted with quaint shops and good restaurants. The atmosphere is enhanced by the friendliness of the people, the incidents that take place, and the memories you bring home with you. The race track is the oldest in the country, and Saratoga was once the summer mecca of the rich and famous (such as Diamond Jim Brady and Lillian Russell), and those that craved the excitement of thoroughbred racing.

Our "Day at the Races" started out somewhat like the Marx Brothers movie of the same name. Win, place, and show didn't present too much of a problem, but for the novices, quinellas, exactas, etc., was mind-boggling. The Sport of Kings was totally unprepared for the invasion of "8 Queens" from Agawam.

Our hotel for the evening was the historic (1840) Rip Van Dam. After the races, some time was spent relaxing in the rocking chairs on the front porch. One of the "Sesames" got a chuckle out of walking out onto the porch and seeing us all rocking—"a vision of the future!"

The hotel is located on Broadway and is the perfect spot to sit and watch the world go by. The elite, "dressed to the nines" provide an ongoing fashion show, the common folk in jeans, horse drawn carriages, str-e-etch limos (I saw one that looked four blocks long with a red velvet upholstered rumble seat in the back), a strolling banjo player—(strumming his heart out for a token donation), and the local bag man who walks by every night with his trash bags jam packed with cans (he said he was carrying about 1,000).

Our evening was spent at the Ash Grove Restaurant. The food was excellent—the service was not up to the usual standard, but it gave us more time to laugh the night away. After dinner we sat in the lounge where "Vinnie" provides piano entertainment (nightly) during August.

We got involved with singing, dancing, and hand-clapping—good old-fashioned fun.

After a long tiring day (it's a lot of work picking losers), we went back to the Van Dam to retire for the night—so we thought! One unnamed "Sesame" had other plans and kept most of us awake with her cavoring until the wee hours of the morning.

I firmly believe that laughter is the best medicine and we certainly had enough laughs to fill several prescriptions.

The next morning, with not enough sleep, we headed for home with a stop at the Saratoga Village factory outlet mall. This is a new mall with 59 outlet stores. The "cavorter" is also a shop-till-you-drop fanatic. She skipped lunch so she could continue to shop, and ran in the restaurant asking the waitress to zap a hot dog in the microwave because she didn't want to waste her shopping time waiting for it to cook!

Saratoga certainly IS the August Place to be, and even though we may have lost a few dollars at the track, we came home from the weekend feeling like winners!!

JOTS FROM JULIE:

My son, Jay, just returned from Fort Myers where he had the opportunity to play at eight of the most prestigious golf courses in Southwest Florida. He said, "Wildcat Run and Pelican's Nest are the best public courses I've ever played."

However, the most rewarding accomplishment was beating long-time Agawam rival **Tony Kunasek**, as a result, being treated to a fabulous dinner at the Olive Garden. Thanks, Tony.

Chubby Checker Coming To Big E Sept. 13-15

The undisputed king of the twist, Chubby Checker, will bring his popular dance sensation to this year's Big E, September 13th-15th.

His free performances are scheduled at the Miller High Life Bandshell at 3:00 and 6:30 p.m. those days.

Checker, at the age of 17, recorded the popular Hank Ballard tune "The Twist." The 1960 hit became a national and international phenomenon, spreading from the ghetto to the White House, and was banned by the Soviets, the South Africans, and the Archdiocese of New York.

Other Checker dance-oriented tunes followed such as "Limbo Rock," "Pony Time," "The Fly," and even "Let's Twist Again." Today the artist has over 20 albums and 40 singles to his credit.

The advent of the British invasion in the mid-sixties soon overshadowed the American dance craze and its

originator.

Checker's career, however, flourished in Europe while he continued to play the nostalgia circuit in the United States. In between, he managed to raise three children with his Dutch-born wife, the 1963 Miss World.

In 1988, the Fat Boys asked Checker to help them revive "The Twist." The hit remake with the trio of rappers rapidly climbed the Billboard charts, and the group with Checker made a video to support the updated '60's tune.

"My music has grown up with me, and it's grown up with the times," says Checker.

He is currently at work on a new album of "music that you can dance to."

This year, New England's Great State Fair runs September 13th-24th in West Springfield.

S.H. Church To Accept Applications For Craft Sale

Applications are now being accepted for the Annual Craft and Tailgate Sale at Sacred Heart Church in Feeding Hills.

It will be held on Saturday, September 9th, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., in the parking lot. (Rain date is Sunday, September 10th, from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m.)

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The Big E Circus New Free Attraction

The Big E, "New England's Great State Fair," in West Springfield, will add yet another fabulous free event to its roster September 13th-24th, sure to please animal lovers, acrobatics fans, adults and children alike.

For the first time ever, the Exposition will present "The Big E Circus Under the Big Top," a spectacular, selectively chosen series of acts that will appear in a colorful, 150 foot Big Top Tent. The one-ring Big Top, sponsored by Coca Cola, affords the audience the intimacy and proximity to the acts reminiscent of an old-fashioned circus.

Wayne McCary, senior vice president of the Eastern States Exposition, is producing the circus, selecting the talent from circuses all over the world to create the extravaganza that he hopes will become a permanent addition to the fair.

The circus will feature Mark Karoly, a performer of Gunther Gebel Williams versatility, and his bareback riders, the award-winning Royal Hanneford elephants, Wilson's performing sea lions, the famous Rodriguez flying trapeze artists, teenage circus star Nellie Hanneford's dressage acts, as well as clowns, a live circus band, and a beautiful singing ringmistress.

The Big Top will be erected in a newly created entertainment area near the Giant Slide, and "The Big E Circus Under the Big Top" will be featured all 12 days of the fair, September 13th-24th, at 1:00, 3:00, and 6:00 p.m. The circus is free with the Big E's one-time admission free of \$6 for adults, \$4 for ages 6-13 and 60 plus. Children under six are free.

The circus doors will open one-hour before each show, and people will be seated on a first-come-first-serve basis. Because of the intimate nature of the Big Top, seating is limited and it is urged that those wishing to see the circus arrive as early as possible.

Each year, crowds in excess of one million flock to The Big E to enjoy free shows, top-name performers, animals, exhibits, every food imaginable, rides, crafts galore, and much more. Children find thrills at every turn as they enjoy Freihofer's Petting Zoo, the McDonaldland Gang on the Golden Arches Stage, parades, kiddie rides, the Mitchell's Marionette Walkabouts, and more.

Christ Lutherans Plan Annual Crafts Fair

Southwick: Christ Lutheran Church will be sponsoring their 5th Annual Arts & Crafts Fair, Saturday, September 23rd, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., on the grounds of the church at 568 College Highway in Southwick. There is a rain date of September 30th.

Area artists and craftspersons wishing to display their work are cordially invited to register. Each participant must register prior to the fair by filling out a registration form and enclosing a check for \$25 made out to Christ Lutheran Church-Crafts Fair.

Registration forms are available by contacting either Dot Coward, 569-5305; Marlene Harlin, 789-1443; or Jane Butova, 562-5214.

Valley Community Church To Hold Craft Fair Oct. 8-9

Valley Community Church in Feeding Hills will be holding a Craft Fair, October 8th and 9th, on the church grounds.

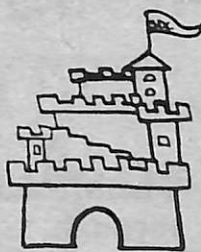
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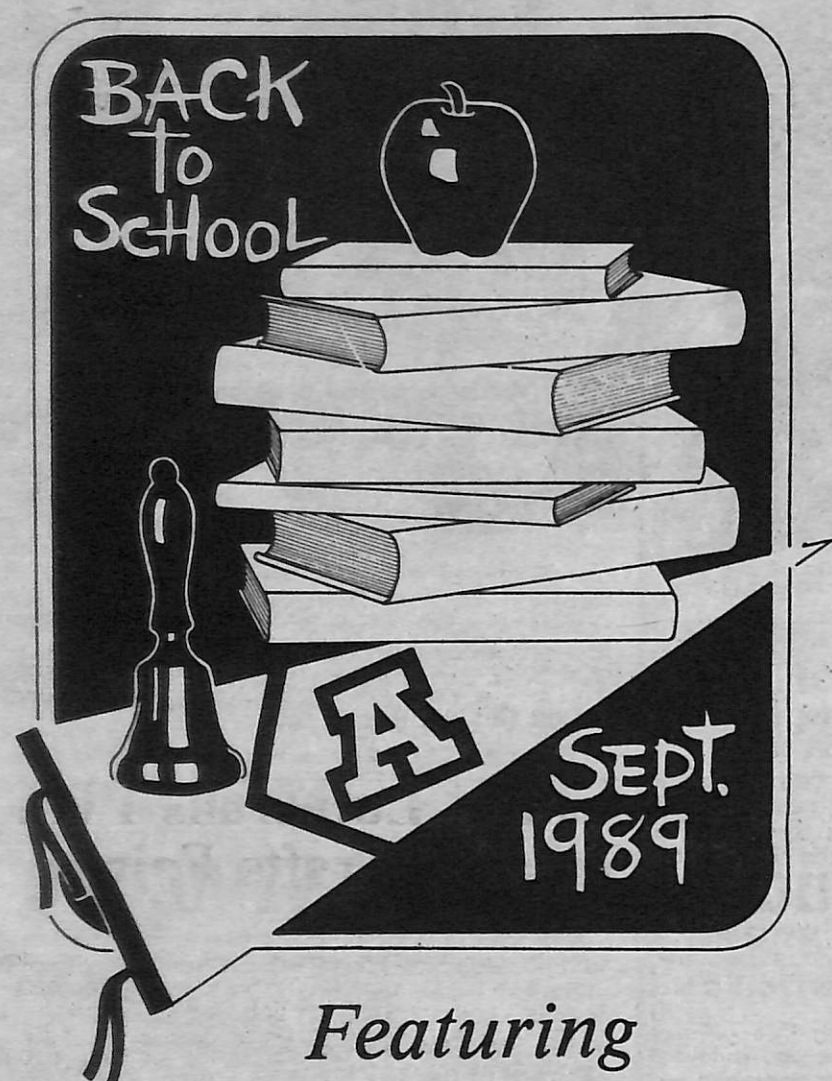
Sandcastle Day Care

On August 12th and 13th, Sandcastle Day Care had its Open House. It was a big success, with visitors pleased to see a new and fresh child care setting in Agawam. Its first day of business is scheduled to begin Tuesday, September 5th. The center will be directed by Pamela Graves, who has her Bachelor's Degree in Education and 5 years of experience teaching Early Childhood. Hours of operation will be 6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., with breakfast, lunch, snacks, and transportation being offered. Applications for fall enrollment are now being taken. For more information call 789-3092, Monday to Friday, between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m.

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Education

Agawam Perry Lane Staff Bids Farewell For 1989



THE AGAWAM PERRY LANE Summer Camp staff gathers for a group picture on the last day of the 1989 summer program, Friday, August 18th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Bruno, School Committee Axe Budget Another \$100,000

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

Five months of waiting and uncertainty with Agawam's School Budget since approval by the School Committee (at \$13.5 million on April 11th) began the final steps to completion last week.

On Friday, August 18th, Mayor Christopher C. Johnson submitted his proposed budget package with recommendations to City Council.

A public hearing on the 1990 budget was planned for Tuesday, August 22nd, at 7:00 p.m. (at presstime).

The council is expected to vote on the municipal budget after a second public hearing at a meeting scheduled for Wednesday, August 30th, in order to get the tax bills out on time, according to Johnson.

Superintendent of Schools James Bruno supportively acknowledged that "Mayor Johnson is doing his best to maintain no teacher layoffs," after learning that Agawam's School Budget's bottom line figure was submitted to Council at \$12.9 million.

Bruno stated, "We will have no teacher layoffs.

Knowing the state's intention some time ago to level fund (local aid), we took a very cautious approach to planning our budget this year. With this \$100,000 reduction, attrition will enable us to avoid layoffs at this time. We will have to look at further reducing equipment, supplies, and textbooks."

Other communities such as Springfield, Chicopee, and Holyoke have been forced to issue hundreds of layoffs due to cutbacks in state aid. Yet even with the further cuts at the state level, Johnson was able to accept an increase of 8.1 percent over last year's School Budget in Agawam.

Johnson said, "I am reducing my side (of the City Budget) to well below the cost of living increase of five or six percent. It will probably be around a two or three

percent increase. We are not laying off any active policemen or firemen, but there will be some unfilled vacancies."

The School Budget represents 42 percent of Agawam residents' tax dollar, according to Johnson. He said that only \$7,000 or \$8,000 of the \$1.2 million slashed from Agawam's state aid by Governor Michael Dukakis was not school reimbursement funds.

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Bay Path Jr. College Offers Large List Of Adult Ed. Classes

The fall semester of the Bay Path College Adult Education Program will offer a broad range of credit-free courses open to both men and women. Most courses are held in the evening and begin in September.

Among courses in the Art and Home Crafts category are Beginning and Advanced Watercolor Painting, both taught by professional artist Susan Tilton Pecora. Herbalist Kay Higgins will teach Using The Herbal Bounty and Herbs For The Holidays, and Dinda Dahlstrom will offer Holiday Decorations using all-natural materials.

Howard Marchie, a professional woodcarver, will teach Woodcarving; Town Gallery member Mary Drayton will teach Traditional Oriental Brush Painting; Yvonne Gonzalez, who has her own show on cable television, will teach "Wet On Wet" Oil Painting; Denise Batsie, owner of Birch Mountain Crafts, will offer Americana Folk Art; and Bay Path art instructor Carole Guthrie will teach Anyone Can Draw, using the right-side, left-side theory.

Three sessions on Flower Arranging, which may be taken individually or as a whole, will cover dry flowers, contemporary (silk) flowers, and fresh flowers, and will be taught by Michele Lariviere, owner of Stonehill Crafts.

Courses in Life Management will include Assertiveness Training, Do You Ask To Be Ignored?, and Anger/Conflict Management, all taught by Bette Taylor, a human relations specialist; and Stress Management: Freeing Yourself From The Burden, with Sandra L. Lawson, an organizational psychologist. Renate Oliver, an independent management training specialist will offer four workshops under the heading, "First Aid For Your Career." They include: Falling In Love Again With Your Own Job, Managing Upward, Plying Office Politics To Win, and Time Management.

Personal Interests courses will cover Beginning and Advanced Interior Design, with Bay Path professor Sandra Burns, as well as three in-depth design workshops covering color, window treatments, and floor treatments. Investing will be taught by C.P.A. Sandra Wasser Wallis of Kidder Peabody and Company, and Real Estate: Opportunities In A Changing Market will be taught by George Yerrall, president of Stearns and Yerrall.

Bay Path professor Claire Barber will teach Conversational Spanish; Robert Potvin will teach Conversational French; and Chih-Wen Su, a native of China, will teach Chinese Language and Culture. Award-winning photographer Annie Tiberio will offer Beginning Photography; professional videographer David Finkelshtein will offer How To Use Your Camcorder; Robbie Cox will offer Yoga I and II; and Mr. & Mrs. Eric Larder, owners of Larder School of Dancing, will offer Beginning and Intermediate Ballroom Dancing.

Included in courses for Professional Development will be Introducing the IBM Personal Computer, and Intermediate IBM PC, as well as Lotus 1-2-3, all taught by data processing professional, Dr. Carroll Schloyer. Kathleen Bennett will teach Beginning Word Processing on the Wang VS100; Bay Path professor Teresa Kozloski will offer Multimate: Beginning Word Processing on the IBM PC; and Bay Path teacher Lynne Hauser will offer two courses: Beginning Typewriting/Keyboarding, and Beginning Shorthand. Bay Path English professor Virginia Freed will offer Public Speaking For People Who Hate To Speak In Public.

Additionally, Bay Path, in cooperation with the U.S. Small Business Administration, will once again offer the six-session How To Start Your Own Business Conference.

A detailed brochure with registration form for all courses is available by calling the Office of Adult Programs at the College.

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Bruno said, "The School Improvement Council (state) grant originally at \$40,402 was cut (\$30,657) to \$9,745; and the Early Childhood Education Program has been devastatingly reduced by 75 percent."

Last year Agawam received only about \$40,000 of the \$110,000 grant request for this program's initiation.

Twenty-two applications were received from teachers at the Superintendent's office for Horace Mann Grants. Only \$9,253 of the planned \$34,133 will be available to award individual instructors who are willing to design, prepare, and teach innovative programs of this type.

For each state grant, Agawam must follow state-mandated regulations. "If we do not, the state may withhold further reimbursement funds for non-compliance," Bruno remarked.

Both Johnson and Bruno seemed to concur that this proposed budget was a viable one, but the council has yet to add its say in the matter—or their votes. Ironically Bruno injected, "In about six weeks, we will begin preparing our 1991 School Budget."

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Valley Community Day Care Celebrates 20th

The Valley Community Day Care Center will celebrate more than 20 years of operation on Sunday, August 27th, when all former students and their parents gather from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m., on the hilltop to renew friendship and acquaintances and talk about all the memories of the past.

With them will come children who want to be in Day Care for the next two years, and their parents will have an opportunity to register them.

Directors and staff personnel of other years will be present along with other officials of the long Center history. One of the officials with long years of service is Mrs. Benjamin Fish who served as director of the Day Care Center for 18½ years. Under her leadership, the day care on the hill made rapid strides in many areas. The teaching staff, under her direction, became one of

the best in New England Day Care areas.

The Day Care building and grounds are right next to Valley Community Church, which is the sponsor of the center.

Officials of the church and the day care center are hopeful many will come and urge their friends and neighbors to come to the hilltop and see what a modern day care center looks like and operates in a time when there is a great need for child care in today's world.

There will be plenty of opportunity to ask questions, to secure information, and even a little time for light refreshments.

Plan to come Sunday, August 27th, from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

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AGAWAM SCHOOLS SLATE NEW STUDENT SIGN-UPS

Agawam schools will open on Wednesday, September 6th, 1989.

Elementary school principals will be in their offices from August 28th to August 31st for registration of new students. Office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Guidance personnel at the middle and junior high school will be available August 28th through August 31st from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

High school guidance staff will be available August 28th through August 31st from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for registration of new students and for conferences.

ENTRANCE AGE:

The State Board of Education requires that children be permitted to enter kindergarten in September of the calendar year in which they reach age five. It is the Agawam School Committee's policy to:

1. Admit a child to kindergarten if he/she is five years old prior to October 1st of the school year in which he/she desires to enroll, and
2. Admit a child to first grade if he/she is six years old prior to October 1st of the school year in which he/she desires to enroll.

Students who attend a kindergarten program in a public school system outside Agawam or who attend a kindergarten program approved by the superintendent, may be allowed to enter first grade if Agawam school officials determine that it would be educationally appropriate.

DAY CARE/BABYSITTING

When choosing a day care or babysitter for your school-age child, please remember that your child must attend the public school in the district in which you live, not the district in which the day care or babysitter is located.



RAINBOW CONNECTION DANCERS in Feeding Hills.

Rainbow Connection Registering Dancers

The Rainbow Connection Dance School is now ready for its second year of classes and is now accepting registrations.

Located on Springfield Street in Feeding Hills, The Rainbow Connection offers small classes with only eight children per class. All pre-school classes are taught by director Eva Husson.

The Rainbow Connection offers one-hour classes once a week. Classes include ballet, tap, jazz, jazzercise, and combo pre-school classes.

The school's first dance recital in the spring was just 90 minutes long with no limit for tickets. Refreshments were served for the convenience of parents and students.

Dancers from The Rainbow Connection won first place in the 1988-89 Dance Capers in only their first year together.

For further information, call 789-4080.



DANCERS FROM THE Rainbow Connection in Feeding Hills.

Karin E. Krohne To Enter Bates College In September

Karin E. Krohne, daughter of Kurt & Marion Krohne of 1134 River Road, Agawam, will enter Bates College as a freshman.

A graduate of The MacDuffie School, Miss Krohne was on the yearbook and newspaper staffs, and was a member of the Spanish Club. She served as class president and was a member of the field hockey, ski, track, and lacrosse teams.

A highly selective liberal arts college in Lewiston, Maine, Bates is the oldest coeducational institution of higher learning in New England and the second-oldest in the nation. It has a current enrollment of approximately 1,500 undergraduates.

The new academic year at Bates will see the retirement of Thomas Hedley Reynolds, the college's fifth president in 134 years, and the inauguration of new president Donald W. Harward, currently vice president for academic affairs at the College of Wooster in Ohio.

During Reynolds' tenure of 22 years, longest of any current college president in New England, Bates has moved to the forefront of small liberal arts colleges in the United States. He directed major improvements in the faculty; a substantial increase in the college's endowment; the construction of a new arts center, museum of art and athletic facility; and the upgrading of the college's main science building.

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SEMESTER SCHEDULE

Classes begin on Wednesday, September 6th, and end on Wednesday, December 13th. Textbooks will be available for purchase at the first class meeting.

REGISTRATION

You may register at Agawam High School on Thursday, August 31st, and Tuesday, September 5th, from 5:30—7:30 p.m. Late registration is available on Wednesday, September 6th, also from 5:30—7:30 p.m.

You may also register at the main campus. Hours are Monday—Thursday 8:00—8:00 and Friday 8:00—4:00.

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Perry Lane Campers Enjoy Trolley Museum Trip



PERRY LANE PARK SUMMER CAMPERS hop-on the train at the Trolley Museum at Heritage Park in Holyoke during a recent field trip. Advertiser News photo by Christina Morassi.



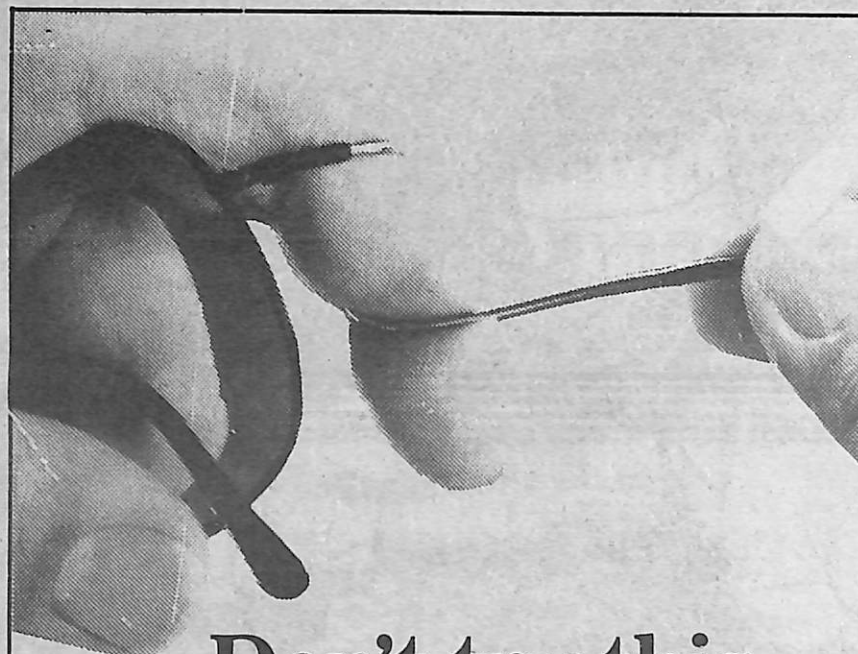
A LOOK AT THE PAST - Perry Lane Park Summer Campers got the inside scoop about trolleys at the Holyoke Trolley Museum. Advertiser News photo by Christina Morassi.

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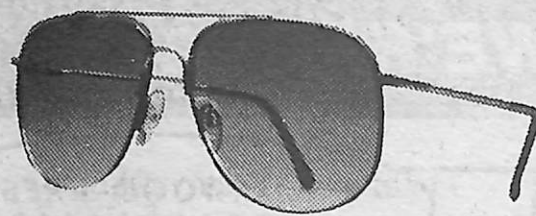
PERRY LANE PARK SUMMER CAMPERS listen as museum employee explains why trolleys were so important to city life many years ago. Advertiser News photo by Christina Morassi.

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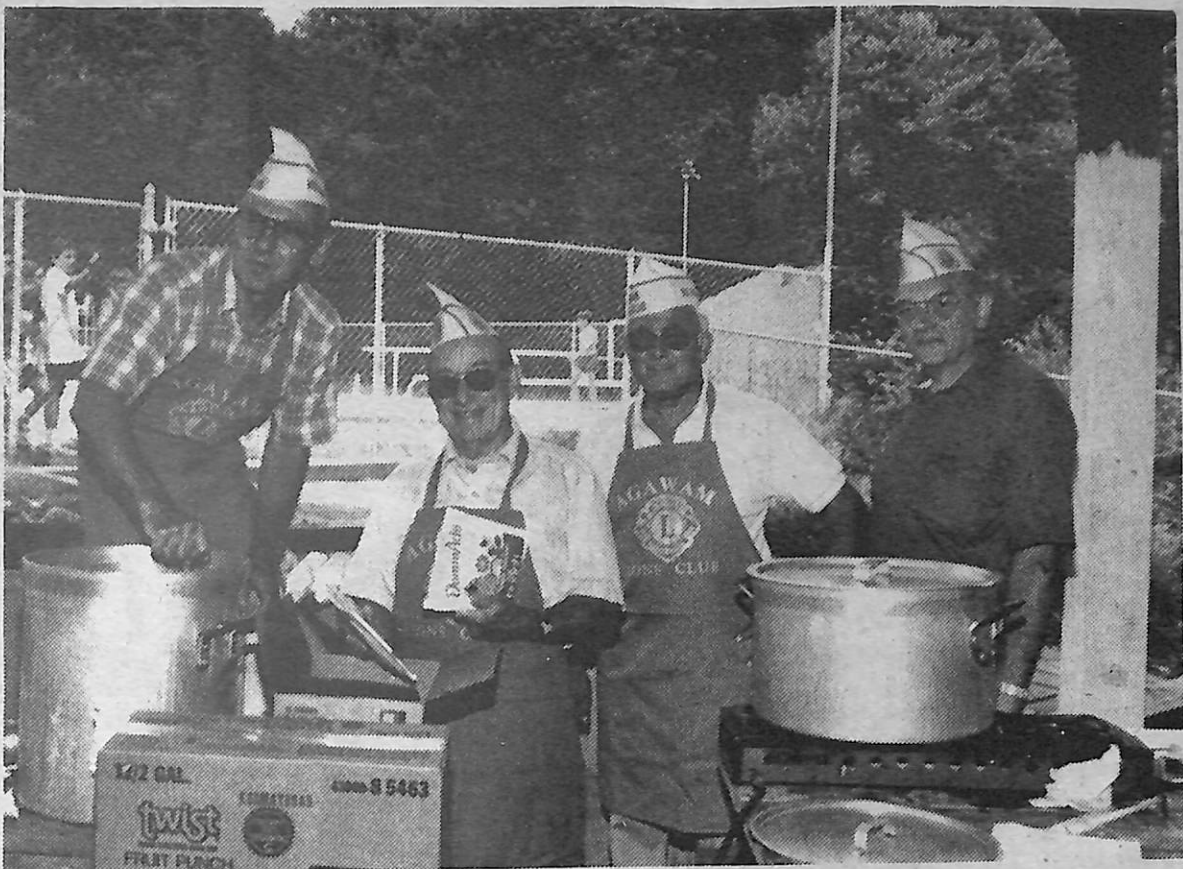
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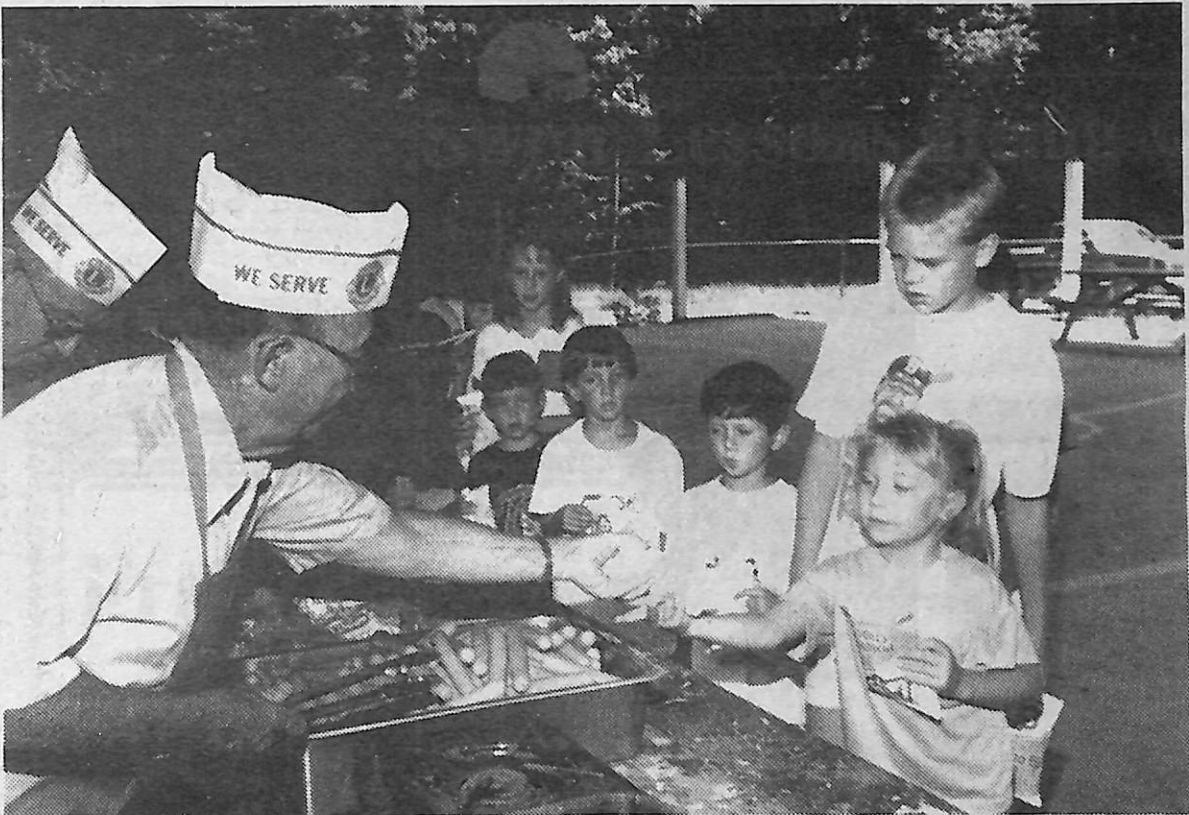
Lions Club Prepare Lunch For Perry Lane Campers



AGAWAM LIONS CLUB MEMBERS, from left - Matt Blackak, Joe Ferrari, Jim Votzak, and Fred Serra (president) prepare hot dogs for hungry campers at Perry Lane Park on Wednesday, August 16th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ALSO HELPING-OUT with the special hot dog lunch for campers at Perry Lane Park on Wednesday, August 16th are members of the Agawam Lioness Club. From left - Fran Serra, Caroline Bassett, and Lou Blackak. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

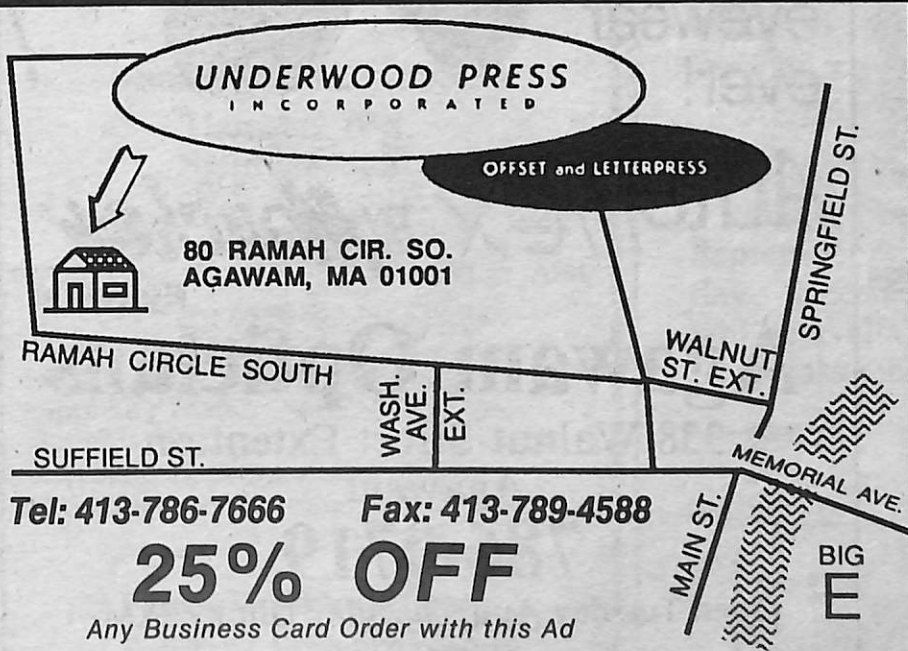


PERRY LANE PARK Summer Campers receive their hot dogs from Agawam Lions Club members Joy Guy (left) and Joe Ferrari on Wednesday, August 16th. The Lions prepare the meal for the campers every year on the last Wednesday of the summer camp. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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Dancer's Image, formerly located on Springfield St., Feeding Hills, is located at 77 Mill St., Westfield, near Noble Hospital. The studio is only ten minutes from Feeding Hills center.

Many of the students have won dance titles, such as Petite Miss Starmaker & Miss Starmaker along with numerous first place and high score awards at dance competitions along the east coast.

For more information call 786-3877 or 568-4989. The studio will be open Sunday, August 27th from 10-2. Come and meet the teachers, watch our videos, and see our two spacious classrooms.

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Kurt Hanson Named To U of Hartford's Dean's List

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Sports

Elbow Lounge Again Rules Women's B

by Cathy Landry
Advertiser News Staff

Elbow Lounge swept two games in the best-of-three championship series to win its second consecutive Division B title, a first in the Agawam Women's Slo-Pitch Softball League in this division. Kellie's Loft were the victims of Elbow's run to the championship flag.

Dee Circosta won the first game on the mound for Elbow, and was assisted by the offense of Denise Porth, who had two hits and two RBI; Karen Ryea with three hits, including two triples and four RBI. Sue Case added three RBI in game one.

Collette Allen pitched the win in the second game. Lori Ogoley had two hits to lead the offense. Deb Doughman had a three-run double and Ann Marie Perry added two hits. Kim Miarecki had two hits as well.

Annette Smith came through with a double in the fifth inning, which was the tying run that sparked a game-winning rally.

Kim Silcox had a big double in game two. More importantly, Silcox was involved in each one of Elbow's five doubleplays. The winners displayed magnificent defense during both victories.

Eilene Richotte added three hits in the two games. "We worked very hard for the wins and I'm very proud of how the girls played," veteran coach Joe Lombardi said. "We really have a great team this year."

Indeed they do as two of their players - Circosta and Porth, have been invited to play in the World Series of Softball in Virginia later this year.

Kellie's Loft had an excellent season as well in Division B. Finishing second in the league, Kellie's had won 13 straight games before falling twice in the finals.

"This team is made-up of a great bunch of women. I think they have a lot of class and a lot of softball ability," said Kellie's coach Lorraine Noonan.

Valleyview Stuns Sarat In Men's B

by Cathy Landry
Advertiser News Staff

With a six-run seventh inning, Valleyview Custom Builders took the first game of the best-of-three playoff championship vs. favorite Sarat Ford, Friday, August 18th. Valleyview then again stunned Sarat in game two, 3-0, to annex the Division B-National East championship over the regular season title holders.

In game one, Valleyview began its road to the championship banner with a huge seventh inning. Trailing 6-2 going into the frame, and with Sarat seemingly well in control, Kurt Murphy led-off the inning with a double.

Ed Kopyscinski brought him in with an RBI single. Bob Fruwirth and Dan Fruwirth each singled, and Dom Pompei brought in two more with a single. Steve McKeever was intentionally walked, and Ron Morgan had rifled a single to score two more and a costly Sarat throwing error scored another to clear the bases. The six-run frame changed the entire series and Sarat was never the same team.

Dan Fruwirth had a two-run double in the fifth inning to score Kopyscinski and Joe Dutowski. Both had singled. Damon Ciavola and Ray Bolduc had multiple hit games in the series opener for Sarat Ford.

Pitcher Bob Fruwirth allowed only five hits in the second and deciding game to lead Valleyview to its championship, 3-0.

Ed "Crunch" Kopyscinski's RBI single in the second to score Kurt "Mad Dog" Murphy, who had doubled,

proved to be the game-winner.

Valleyview added its second run in the third frame. Danny Fruwirth led-off with a single. Matt Begbie followed by reaching on an error, and Ron Morgan picked-up the run with a sacrifice fly.

Murphy scored the final run of the game when he doubled and scored on a two-base error.

The two wins moved Valleyview's victory streak to 15. The team finished the regular season in third place but clearly, this team had plenty of momentum going into the playoffs.

Murphy led the offense with two hits (both doubles) in game two, but Valleyview coach Butch "The Muskrat" Drewnowski said everyone did his bit.

Kopyscinski had one of his best games of the season at third base and Steve McKeever was a vacuum cleaner at first base.

During the regular season Sarat had owned Valleyview, and up until the seventh inning in game one, that was holding true to form.

Sarat received two good games from pitcher Mike Yacovone, and Bolduc and Ciavola both hit well. Sarat only lost three games this season, and for the second straight year, went into the playoffs as the regular season champs.

"We had a great season," Yacovone said. "We came out flat in the second game and Valleyview played a great first game to come from behind to beat us."

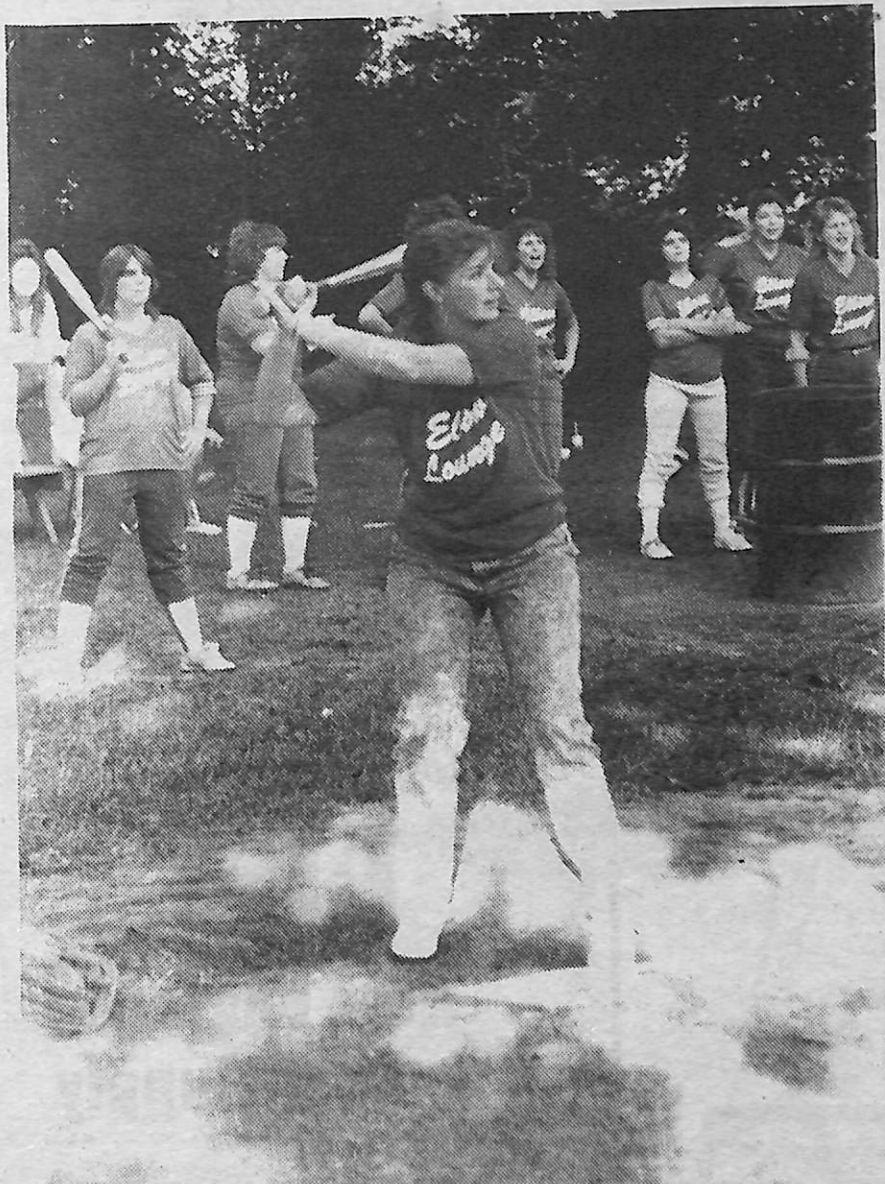
Youth Soccer Asso. Very Close To \$\$\$ Goal

All but \$1,000 has been collected in the Agawam Youth Football Association's drive towards \$14,000, as 80 youths have begun practice. Equipment has been coming in on a regular basis, as coaches begin to train and condition all players.

The hard work has just started as

more volunteers are needed to man yard marker chains during games, and workers are needed to run the concession stands during home games.

Won't you please help us? A parents' meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, August 29th, at 6:30 p.m., at the Agawam Public Library, Cooper Street.



SUSAN CHASE of Elbow Lounge waits for a pitch before launching a base hit in the championship series vs. Kellie's Loft. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



DEE CIRCOSTA is one of two members of the Elbow Lounge who have been invited to play in the World Series of Softball in Virginia later this year. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

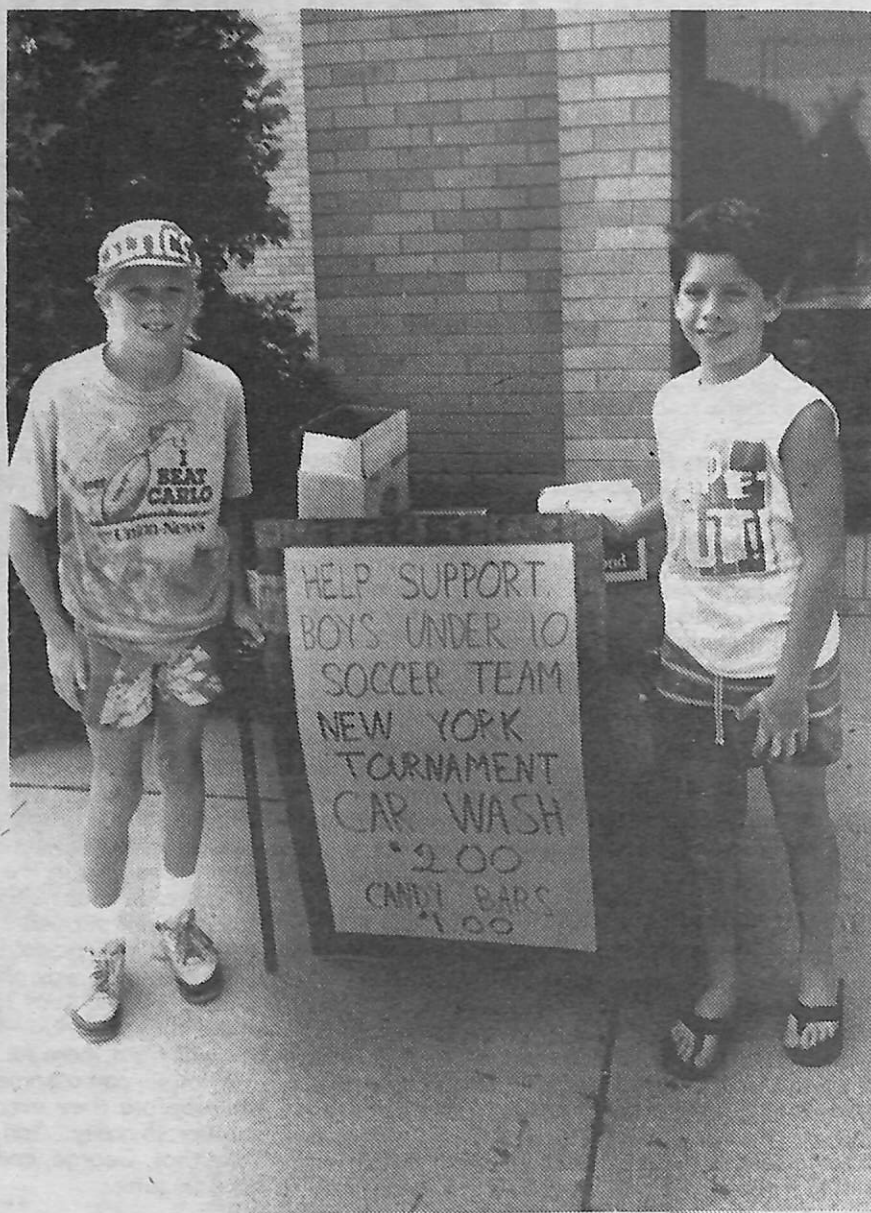
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Porth Going To World Series

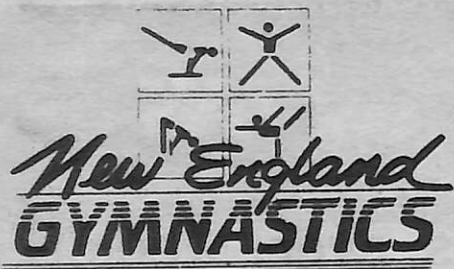


SLUGGER DENISE PORTH, a member of the two-time Women's Division B champs Elbow Lounge (Agawam Slo-Pitch League), has been invited to play in the World Series of Softball in Virginia later this year. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Soccer Players Push Car Wash



JEFF ROUSEAU and **BRYAN O'QUINN**, members of the Boys' Under 10 Soccer Team, participated in a fundraising car wash this past Saturday. The team needs the funds to travel to a New York Tournament. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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On Sports...

Woes Of Red Sox, Yanks; I'll Take Larry Bird

by Michael S. Sardella
Advertiser News Sports Writer

Well, Sox fans, what have you got to say for yourselves?

This 1989 Red Sox team is sure hard to figure out, aren't they? One night they're pounding the baseball all over the field in an impressive win, and the next night they're being dealt a three or four-hitter. One never knows what will happen next with a team like this.

Going into Monday night's game with the New York Yankees, the Bosox found themselves 5½ games back of the front-running Baltimore Orioles—thanks to a recent six-game losing skid. Who could have foreseen such a sad display of baseball in the past few weeks after making such a loud run at the Birds for the top spot in the A.L. East?

I mean, here the Sox were, taking three straight from the Orioles at Fenway to move within one game, and then taking a 6-0 lead in the series finale, only to have the whole thing explode right in their faces. The O's somehow pulled that game out, and the Sox were on their way to playing their worst baseball of the season in the following two weeks. And we all know the result—a quick disappearing act from the pennant race.

But who knows? Maybe the Sox will reel off 10 straight and be back in it. Nah. Highly unlikely. Mainly because they're just not that good of a team. The starting rotation has been anything but solid; the bullpen has been inconsistent; and the Boston bats just cannot be counted on in the clutch. In case you haven't noticed, the Sox lead the major leagues in runners left on base, and by a wide margin, folks.

It has just been one of those years for Fenway's boys of summer. We cannot point fingers and put the blame on any player (or players). Wade and Margo? A lame excuse. Let's just face the facts and admit the "Morgan Magic" has come to an end—this season anyways.

Besides, a season like this usually follows a division title-winning season. Look at the '86 Bosox—they steamrolled all the way to the World Series. The next year? Pathetic .500 baseball. Last year, the Sox took another division crown. This year? Well, you already know. That's just the way it goes folks. Ask the Los Angeles Dodgers about it.

OK Yankee fans, stop trying to utilize the Red Sox woes to comfort your damaged pride because your team has been even more consistently inconsistent than the Sox this season. But you do have one good excuse—that's right—his name is George Steinbrenner.

What is it with this guy? We can't say that he's getting out of hand because he's been firing and rehiring managers and shifting around players like chopped beef for years now. Does he actually think that a guy can take over a managerial position and turn a team

into a winner in one short season? I mean he doesn't even give them a realistic chance. But as the saying goes, when you're losing, somebody has to go—and nine times out of 10, it's the manager.

The poor Bronx Bombers don't even have a real starting rotation—at least the Sox can fake it (they can't get away with it, but they can fake it). Where's the bullpen? Opposing teams used to fear seeing Dave Righetti stroll to the mound—now they seem to long for his relief stints.

So what does 'ol George do? He picks up Rich "Goose" Gossage after the Padres let him go. It's a nice sentimental move, George. Why not bring back Reggie? How about Nettles? Where do you think "Cat-fish" is hanging out these days?

Offensively, Don Mattingly and Steve Sax can do only so much. With the loss of Dave Winfield, the Yank's lineup just seems to lack that certain punch. Jesse Barfield seems to hit the baseball whenever he wants to. The problem is that he doesn't always want to. For the record, New York is second behind Boston in the American League in leaving runners on base.

The biggest story out of the Bronx these days is the hiring of Bucky Dent, the former Yankee shortstop who replaced Dallas Green last week as manager. Hey Sox fans, you all remember good 'ol Bucky, don't ya? (I'll leave it at that. I know how painful it is.) Mr. Dent has been managing in the minors the past few years, but my guess is that he'll be gone by next year's All-Star Game, if not sooner.

All that can be said about the '89 Yankees is that they are a long way off from being a division-title contending squad. Look for them to finish the year right where they are now—above the Tigers. Whether the Sox will fight them for that position is yet to be seen.

What we can assume is the Yanks will have to wait a while before they even begin to think about starting another dynasty. And I for one will enjoy the wait. Take that, George, and stick it in your air-conditioned sky-box suite.

Well, let's take a break from baseball and talk about basketball—specifically the game's greatest player ever—Lawrence Joe Bird.

What can we say about Larry Legend these days? How about "the rich get richer?" Can you believe the figures being talked about for Larry's remaining three years with the Celtics? Somebody tell Lee Majors that Bird is going to be the real \$6 million man.

And to think that the six bills is only for the last year on his contract. The next two years Bird will receive \$8.4 million (approximately). What can be said about all this? Well, it's safe to say that No. 33 will be the highest-paid athlete in team sports. And deservedly so.

A decade ago, when Bird and Magic Johnson burst onto the NBA scene, they began to revolutionize a

league that was slowly starting to lose money with their unequalled "all-around" play. From opposite sides of the country, they were making headlines wherever they went—and their rivalry emerged as one of the sport's best.

Then the questions couldn't be ignored anymore. Who's better? Who is the game's best player? Well, Mr. Bird answered that from 1984-86 as he won three straight league MVP awards and led the Celts to a couple of titles. As his talent kept improving, he began to be recognized as not only the game's best, but perhaps the best of all-time.

Former Celtic great Bob Cousery, after watching Bird lead the Celtics to the title in '81, said this about the Indiana native: "People are going to be saying it in five years, but I'm going to say it now. Larry Bird is simply the best player to ever play this silly game." Turns out the Cooz was right.

Who would have ever thought this "hick from French Lick" would one day be compared with the greatest players of all time? And now to be considered the best ever? When approached with the suggestion, Larry just shrugs it off. He doesn't like that kind of talk he says.

What he does like to talk about is how he is going to do his best to recover from last year's foot surgery and return to the top of his profession—not for personal benefit, but to bring another title or two back to Boston in the remaining few years of his contract. Go for it, Larry. We're pulling for ya.

A few weeks ago, Robert Parish was on Johnny Most's Celtics Talk Show on Sportschannel, and a caller on the show asked Parish who is the first player in the entire league he would choose to have as a teammate. Parish responded, "Larry Bird."

The caller then said, "Well, don't you think that Magic Johnson and Michael Jordan can do the same things for you as a teammate that Bird can?"

Parish answered, "Maybe so. But you asked me for my CHOICE."

And therein lies the difference between Bird and every other player to ever put on a uniform, folks. When given the choice, the majority of players WOULD take Bird over all the others. Why? Perhaps his determination to win, or his devotion to his teammates. Whatever the case may be, Larry is just different.

So to finish up this little talk about who is the best ever, I think I'll use the quote of the legendary Red Auerbach, who in January of '88 at a dinner in Boston in honor of Bird, said these words, which seem to sum up the argument: "I've seen all of basketball's great players come and go, and after a lot of soul-searching and analysis, Larry Bird is THE greatest player to ever play the game."

Amen, Red. Amen.

St. Anthony's Church To Hold
1st Family Picnic Aug. 27th

The Holy Name and Holy Rosary Societies of St. Anthony's Church of Agawam will hold its First Family Picnic at Stanley Park, Westfield, on Sunday, August 27th, starting at 10:00 a.m. and continuing throughout the day. Lunch will be served at 12:00 noon. Families and friends of the church are invited.

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MEMBERS OF UNIQUE STORAGE, an 11-12 boys' baseball team who competed in a suburban league. Back row, from left - Coaches Miles Senflug, Al Domaingue, Jim Baldyga, and Pete Chechile. Second row - Jamie Scherban, Carmine Battista, Nathan Wooley, Justin Buiso, Marc Sales, and Jason Votzak. Front row - Jimmy Baldyga, Tim Conklin, Mike Domaingue, Chris Chechile, Derek Vrijenhoek, Jeff Rousseau, and Mike Senflug. Missing - Keith Daubmann. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Wall's & Superior Down To Game Three For Softball Title

by Cathy Landry
Advertiser News Staff

Wall's Sports and Superior Spaulding split a doubleheader and each took one game in the best-of-three championship series in Division A of the Agawam Men's Slo-Pitch Softball League.

The death struggle continued at presstime in the third and final game.

Wall's blanked Spaulding, 8-0 in the first game on Tuesday, August 22nd. Bob Kelly had two hits, including a triple. Ted Athas, Mark Canegallo, and Bob Pelloquin each had two hits for the winners.

Spaulding came out with the bats booming in game two, scoring 11 runs in the first inning.

Scot Aye had three hits (including a three-run homer). Mike Carter had two hits (double), and John Provost and Wayne Smith each added two hits.

Rick Hoey, Athas, and Jeff Pokorney blasted three hits for Wall's, and Keith Savoie added two safeties (double) in the losing cause.

Despite starting the game 11 runs behind, Wall's made a game of it with five runs in the top of the seventh inning to cut the final margin to three runs. Bob Pelloquin and Savoie led-off the inning with singles. Rich Stepanian, Athas, and Pokorney each had RBI singles to follow. Tony Caputo had a single in the inning as well.

Spaulding won the Division A regular season title with a record of 22-3. Wall's also sported an identical 22-3 record, but Spaulding won two of the three games between the two powers during the summer season, thereby giving the league title to Spaulding.

Wall's and Spaulding have been huge rivals in the league for the past three years.

Springfield Tennis Club Has Events

The Springfield Tennis Club will have a Social Mixer at the Forest Park clay courts Saturday, August 26th, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. In the event of rain, the Mixer will be rescheduled August 27th at the same time.

The Mixer, one of several the club offers during the summer and fall, is for all levels and ages. The public is invited.

The Springfield Tennis Club will host the Robert Freedman Memorial Greater Springfield Tournament September 15th-17th at the Forest Park clay courts. The events will include men's A and B singles, women's open singles, men's 45 singles, men's and women's doubles, and mixed A and B doubles.

For further information, contact Paul Fein, 786-2034.

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Agawam 9-10 Suburban Baseball Team



MEMBERS OF THE 9-10 Agawam Suburban Baseball Team. Back row, from left - Coach Austin Kimball, Coach John Godfrey, Brian Swenson, Jim Flood, Mike Perry, Bryan Menard, Rich Feeley, Matt Couture (mascot), Coach Jerry Couture, and Coach George Cornwell. Front row - Stephen Virella, Todd Jorgensen, Josh Kelleher, Todd Godfrey, Austin Kimball, Jon Couture, Kevin Cornwell, and Ryan Wilson.

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Big Labor Day Soccer Tourney Set By Agawam Soccer Asso.

The 5th Annual Riverside Soccer Classic Tournament is being held at Agawam High School Labor Day Weekend, September 2nd, 3rd, and 4th. Five fields will be in use including the stadium. Saturday's games start at 8:00 a.m., with the last games starting at 6:15 p.m. Sunday's games are from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Monday's semi-finals and finals begin at 8:00 a.m., with the awards ceremony starting at 3:00 p.m. in the stadium. Mayor Christopher Johnson has been invited to attend the commencement ceremony.

Each team is guaranteed three games and can qualify for additional games by making the semi-final and final matches. This is a patch exchange tournament, and awards will be given to the runner-up and finalist in five age groups - Boys' Under 10, Boys' Under 12, Boys' Under 14, Girls' Under 12, Girls' Under 14.

There are 54 teams in this year's tournament featuring local teams as well as teams from other parts of Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Jersey, and New Hampshire.

This year's competition will be exceptional. There are five current reigning state championship teams and 13 division winners participating in the tournament and one team with international experience.

A unique feature of this tournament is that it is considered the last major event of the spring/summer season and the first major test for new teams beginning their fall season.

There will be a concession stand as well as a fundraiser table featuring souvenirs and a raffle.

One of the main sponsors is Riverside Amusement Park, Main Street, Agawam. In each tournament program, they have provided two discount admission tickets to Riverside for participants and their families.

Stop by Agawam High School Labor Day Weekend and enjoy the high level of competition we are bringing into the area.

Feel free to contact Al O'Quinn, co-director, 25 Thalia Drive, Feeding Hills, 786-6437, with any questions you may have. Tournament Director Bob Rousseau and his assistants Ken Cizek and Al O'Quinn will be on the game site all weekend to help with any problems you may have at that time.

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Ludlow Hospital To Host Golf Tournament Sept. 10th

Southwick: The First Annual Ludlow Hospital Invitational Golf Tournament will take place on Sunday, September 10th, at the Edgewood Golf Course in Southwick. Tee-off time is 1:00 p.m.

The entry fee to the tournament is \$35, which includes green fees and a motorized golf cart.

The hospital is also seeking corporate sponsors, who will be recognized at the course with banners and/or signs at the check-in station. The cost is \$50 per sponsorship, and is tax-deductible.


Please send entry or sponsorship fee to the Ludlow Hospital Physical Therapy Department, 14 Chestnut Place, Ludlow, MA, 01056, by August 28th.

Proceeds from the tournament will benefit hospital employee programs.

Westfield YMCA To Offer Synchronized Swimming Prog.

Westfield: The Westfield YMCA is now offering an instructional program in synchronized swimming.

If you are interested and at least eight years-old, you are eligible to join this new program. If you can swim two lengths of front crawl or breast stroke, tread water for one minute, and are interested in learning a new and exciting sport, call the Westfield YMCA for more details, 568-8631.



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RACING AT RIVERSIDE

Rain Cancels Racing At Riverside Aug. 19th; Rescheduled For Sept.

The weather forecast called for big rain and rain it did just after the qualifying heat races in the NASCAR Winston Racing Series at Riverside Park Speedway last Saturday.

A field of 37 NASCAR tour-type Modifieds were on hand in search of the Sunoco Race of Champions Qualifying Trial and a guaranteed starting spot in the Winston 200 at the Thompson International Speedway.

Qualifying action got underway with rain forcing the events to be held up for over 30 minutes. The heat races were sponsored by Swis Auto Glass, Riverdale Chrysler, and Budweiser. This would have been the final race in the Snap On Tools (five event super series).

The feature event in the Strictly Stocks was run and Mitch Drewnowski of Agawam secured his third win of the season. Glen Griswold was glued to the back bumper of the Drewnowski car as Tim Smith finished third. Smith was then disqualified for weight. This moved Mike Quintiliano into third. Fourth was John Stankelis, and fifth was Brad Boissoneault.

Sixth to 10th went to Chuck Alessio, Don Jensen, Ed Haluck, and Harry St. Germaine.

Qualifying heat races that paid \$100 to win and \$50 for second were won by Brad Heitala, Dave Gallo, and Reggie Ruggiero in the Modifieds. The consi was not run because of the rain.

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Big Short Track Event On August 26

On Saturday, August 26th, Riverside Park Speedway Director Ben Dodge, Jr., will present the biggest short track event of the season, the RJ Reynolds Winston 200, a Pontiac Motorsports Twin 100 lap special, will be held. The feature divisions are two of NASCAR's Modified tour and Busch Grand National North circuit.

\$100,000 in posted cash and awards will be a major attraction for both the Modified Tour and the Busch Grand National. The list of sponsors for this special event will be awesome.

Busch Beer will post \$500 for both divisions in time trials awards. Pontiac Motorsports will post additional money for the time trials (exceeding \$500). Budweiser "The King Of Beers," will present an additional \$1,500 to pay four positions for all heat races in both race divisions.

That is just the beginning. The other big sponsors include Wynn's Products and Speedway Distributors, the track record breaker and time trial runner; Riverdale Chrysler, Outstanding Performance Award; Performance Centers, Alternate Awards; Pup Tent, Hard Luck Award; Raceweek, Outstanding Television Award.

Still, two of the biggest bonuses for both divisions is the Tom Francis/NAPA Auto Parts Stores Pit Crew Contest, with \$600 posted in each division.

Lap money is also a main factor for this event as Thompson Associates will post \$100 to the leader of lap 50 in both divisions. Snap On Tools provides the lap leaders of lap 25-50-75-100, and a bonus of \$50 for each.

The Modified Tour feature race will offer a promoter's purse that pays \$4,250 to win. Second is \$2,800. Third is \$1,700. Fourth is \$1,500, and fifth, \$1,200. A guarantee of \$250 is offered to any Modified Tour that makes the feature. As always, the owners and drivers (pre-entered) will be admitted free! (Drivers and Owners Club Window).

As for the Busch Grand National, the posted purse without NASCAR contingency will pay \$2,750 to win. Second is \$2,550. Third is \$1,550. Fourth is \$1,500, and fifth, \$1,200. \$250 will be paid for any qualified car.

The owner and driver of each pre-entered Busch GN will be admitted free. Top Busch GN Drivers will include Kelly Moore, Dick McCabe, Joe Kourafas, Ed Lavoie, Dale Shaw, Jamie Aubie, Bob Dragon, and many more.

Modified Drivers will include Mike McLaughlin, Reggie Ruggiero, Tom Baldwin, Ed D'Hondt, Mike Ewainitsko, Tom Bolles, and Tony Hirschman. Local favorites include Bob Polverari and Wayne Anderson.

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With the opening of their new 24'x60' swimming pool, Fitness First has developed a schedule of programs to begin the week of September 11th.

The programs range from specialized conditioning swim classes to childrens' water orientation. There's something for everyone in the family!

Below is a list of all class descriptions and the times they will be offered. Pre-registration is required for most classes, and free demonstration will be held the last two weeks of August.

Everyone is invited in for a free trial swim anytime during the month of August. For more information, call Fitness First, 786-1460.

TODDLER SWIM & GYM: (Ages 2½-5 years). A 1½ hour combination of coordination skills and games to be held in the pool. This program will be offered in two separate eight-week sessions. The first one will be offered on Mondays, from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m., and the second one will be on Thursdays, from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. The fee for this class will be \$40 for an eight-week session, meeting once per week (non-members add \$10 registration fee).

BABY & ME: (Ages Infant-2½ years). Baby's first experience in water. This class is designed for the parent and baby together, and is based on acclimating the baby to the water and its surroundings. The parent will be actively involved. Eight-week sessions, meeting once per week on Wednesdays from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m., costing \$25 (non-members add \$10 registration fee).

BEGINNER SWIM LESSONS: (ages 5-10 years). A class designed to introduce the student to the basic skills of swimming, such as front and back float, breathing techniques, and safety skills. Class will meet one time per week on Tuesdays from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m., and will cost \$36 per eight-week sessions (non-members add \$10 registration fee).

INTERMEDIATE SWIM LESSONS: (ages 10 plus). Pre-requisite for this class is successful completion of

the Beginner Swim Class or the Beginner Level Skills Test. This class will fine tune the skills of the Beginner class as well as introduce the student to the basic swim strokes of the front crawl, back crawl, sidestroke, and breaststroke. Class will meet once per week on Thursdays, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m., and will cost \$36 per eight-week sessions (non-members add \$10 registration fee).

CONDITIONING FITNESS SWIM CLASS: (Adults). A class designed to improve the participants endurance level and stroke technique and overall swimming ability. Participants must be able to swim at least four lengths of the pool before entering this class. A variety of swimming apparatus such as kickboards, pull-buoys, etc., will be used, and the class will culminate with a final skills challenge test. This program will meet twice per week for a period of four weeks, meeting on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. No fee-members only.

WET WORKOUT: (Adults). A 45-minute Aqua Aerobic program designed to improve cardiovascular conditioning as well as provide muscle strength and toning, using the water as resistance. The aerobic portion of this class will be 15-20 minutes in duration, and is suitable for any level of fitness. Three separate sessions will be offered per week, with each meeting twice per week. Monday and Wednesday, 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, at 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., and 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. No pre-registration required. No fee-members only.

THE PRYME TYMERS WET WORKOUT: (Age-Over 50). This class is similar to the above-mentioned Wet Workout, with the exception of the aerobic segment being 10-15 minutes in duration, and the overall intensity of the class geared towards the special needs of persons over 50 years-old. Class will meet twice per week on Monday and Wednesday from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Participants may pay \$3 per class or join under a special Non Prime-Time Senior Membership program. No additional fee for members.

Mike McLaughlin Seeks Title In Big Winston 200 Race

"I couldn't believe when I saw the white flag at the last Riverside Park Speedway Modified Tour race. I just ran out of time. We were really hooked-up," said NASCAR Modified Tour Champion Mike McLaughlin. McLaughlin, the current tour point leader, is ready for his return to Riverside Park Speedway on Saturday, August 26th, for the RJ Reynolds Winston 200, a Pontiac Motorsports' twin 100 special presentation.

McLaughlin, the driver of the Coors Extra Gold Pontiac, will be more than ready for the \$100,000 Twin Tour Special. The Sherwood Racing Team is ready for a clean sweep. "The distance is less this time, so watch me get up front real quick at Riverside Park," said McLaughlin.

Tony Hirschman of Northampton will be also a major factor. The driver of the Universal Joint/Clark Trucking Chevrolet admits that the quarter-mile is a real challenge at the park.

Mike Stefanik of Greenwich, Rhode Island, is always a superstar at Riverside Park Speedway. Stefanik is one of the few drivers that can master the inside and run the bottom groove. Jamie Tomaino, another short track hero, is expected, as is Steve Park, Wayne Anderson, Ed D'Hondt, Tom Bolles, and other local favorites.

Still, the guy to beat is Reggie Ruggiero. He already has six wins at Riverside and won over \$10,000 in posted awards at Riverside on July 26th, during the Bud King of Beer 150. The Ruggiero team of Mario Fiore, Mark Lyon, and Teddy Bear Pools will be the favorites going in.

Over 40 NASCAR Modified tour cars are expected on Saturday, August 26th, at Riverside. The Modified Tour is just half of the show. The other impressive group is the Busch Grand National North Division. Top full-bodied northern drivers will include Dale Shaw, Bob Dragon, Stub Fadden, Jamie Aube, Pete Silva, Dick McCabe, Joe Bessay, Ed Lavoie, and many more.

It's the biggest and best short track event of the season on Saturday, August 26th, the Busch Grand National North, and the NASCAR Modified Tour, only at the Riverside Park Speedway, located in Agawam.

Advance tickets on sale every Saturday at the Riverside Park Speedway at discounted price. Call 786-9300.

RIVERSIDE - From Page 52...

In the Pro Stock division, it was Bill Lauridsen, Eddie Carroll, Wayne Carroll, and Dave Caruso. The Late Model heats were won by Mike Duquette, Fred LeForge, Jim Jeneski, and Darren Parenteau.

Because of the rain, this event will be rescheduled for Saturday, September 16th. The event will be a show that starts at 6:00 p.m. It will feature three heat races for the Strictly Stocks, plus the pre-qualified feature from August 19th for the Pro Stocks (30 laps), and the Late Models (25 laps). A consi will be run on September 16th for the NASCAR four-type Modifieds, and a 50-lap feature. This will be a regular show priced at just \$8.99 for adults. It will also be the final track point race.

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Q. What does the term "scaling" mean?

A. Scaling is an important part of the personal and professional care necessary to prevent gum disease.

Personal care is the daily brushing and flossing to remove plaque, the sticky film that is formed continually on the teeth by bacteria that normally are in the mouth. Plaque that remains despite brushing and flossing sometimes causes gum inflammation. Also, a cement-like substance known as tartar, or calculus, forms on the teeth at the gumline, trapping more bacteria-laden plaque. If neglected, the tartar buildup will hasten serious gum disease.

Scaling is performed in the dental office to remove the tartar, as part of the periodic visit for a professional "cleaning." The rate at which tartar accumulates varies from one person to another. That is why it is necessary, for example, to schedule two cleaning visits a year for some people and four visits for others.

Presented as a community service by Stephen R. Jacapraro, D.M.D., 1379 Main Street, Agawam, MA. Phone 786-8177.

Walsh Golf Tourney Getting Fine Response

The First Annual Representative Michael Walsh Golf Tournament, to benefit Project D.A.R.E., will be held Wednesday, September 13th, at Oak Ridge Golf Course, 850 South Westfield Street, Feeding Hills.

The 12:00 noon shotgun start will have a limit of 144 players. The tournament format will be a scramble. Entry fee is \$65 per person (\$30 for social hour and dinner), which includes 18 holes of golf, golf cart, lunch and refreshments on the course, prizes, and dinner after golf.

Prizes include longest drive and nearest pin. Entry deadline is September 1st, with space to be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

The tournament committee includes Wayne Macey, John Mercadante, Donald Rheault, Richard Niles, Richard Abdow, Victor Carra, Terry Letellier, and Gerald O'Keefe.

Please address all entries and checks to: Project D.A.R.E., P.O. Box 160, Agawam, MA, 01001-0160. Applications must be accompanied by check.

For glossy copies of photos in this edition, please contact Jack Devine at his home, 789-0053. If Jack is out, please leave a message on his answering machine.

Final Standings For Agawam Slo-Pitch SOFTBALL

"B" NATIONAL-WEST

Tavern Inn	18	7
Antonio's Grinders	17	8
Black Horse Lounge	14	10
Parrotta's Service St.	12	11
Powers Cafe	11	13
Jessica's Lounge	11	14
Grimaldi's Oilers	10	15
Desi's Place	4	18
Agawam Spirits	3	21
Auto Masters (suspended)	2	22

"B" AMERICAN

Abbett Tax Service	20	4
Tri County Sales	20	5
Bogey's	18	6
Broadleaf Auto Sales	14	11
Jiffy Lube	14	10
Agawam Bombers	13	11
Springfield Turnverein	6	16
Buccaneer Lounge	5	19
Bill's Tire Service	5	20
Sonitrol	4	20

*First 6 teams are in playoffs

"B" NATIONAL-EAST

Sarat Ford Co.	20	3
Village Lounge	16	10
Valleyview Assoc.	15	10
Buccaneer Lounge	14	11
Agawam Moose Club	13	9
Cortina's Infernos	12	12
E.B.'s	11	14
PIPS Sharks	7	16
Angy's Tortellini	1	23

MEN'S SOFTBALL LEAGUE

"A" DIVISION

Superior Spalding	22	3
Walls Sports	22	3
Say When Lounge	16	9
M/P Siding Co.	15	10
Scrubbers	15	10
Expo Liquors	5	20

5th-6th Grade Suburban Softball Team



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM 5th-6th grade Suburban Baseball Team. Back row, from left - Coaches Jeff Pratt, Joe DeMarco, and Jim Limbert. Second row - Corey Rosner, Katie Vivenzio, Aurdia Andreoli, Dina DeMarco, Emily Dreyer, Amanda Limbert, and Tracey Nascembeni. Front row - Deanna Knodler, Jessica Perry, Cara Rust, Samantha Collette, Courtney Limbert, Erica Pratt, Courtnie Hyland, Catherine Willis. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

WOMEN'S SOFTBALL LEAGUE

"A" DIVISION

Desi's Place	18	4
Buccaneer Lounge	16	6
Easthampton VFW	14	7
Buccaner Gold	8	11
JAMS	6	14
Angy's Tortellini (suspended)	0	20

"B" DIVISION

Elbow Lounge	20	0
Kellies Loft	15	4
Bad News Bears	11	8
Desi's Lounge	10	8
Southworth Paper Co.	9	10
Bogey's	8	12
Club 57	5	17
Balzer's Tool Coating	0	22
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Sportsmen's Corner

— By Bill Chiba —



The Many Tears Of Sam Provo

"I swear there was a tear rolling down Sam's face when he told me he couldn't make it on Tuesday," I said to Angie Borgatti as we sped towards the pond we had selected to fish. "Maybe next Monday would be a good day for me," drawled Sam Provo as he bent over to light his pipe.

We launched the boat and reached our favorite bullhead hole, dropped anchor, and flipped out the lines. My line didn't have a chance to sink when the bobber went under. Up came a nice big shiny black and white horn pout. From then on we were busy.

Angie chortled, "Sam should be here. His pipe would run cold today."

We only fished for about 2½ hours. I had a bucket full of bullheads and Angie did the same. Also in the buckets were yellow perch and large blue gills.

Angie had commitments to a few people for bullheads and the rest are in my freezer. We are supplying the horn pout for a good old-fashioned southern fish fry. One more trip and we should have enough fish to satisfy those southern boys. (From South End of Springfield, South Agawam, and South part of Westfield, etc.).

Vermont's 1989 muzzleloader deer season is now December 2nd to 10th. The new season increases the number of days for hunting deer with muzzleloading firearms from five to nine, and changes the opening date from the Wednesday following closure of the regular firearms season to the next Saturday.

Other features of the existing law, including the three-inch minimum antler requirements, remain unchanged.

Bowhunters also gained nine more days to take a deer. Anyone with an archery license who has not taken a deer during the October archery season may continue hunting during the nine-day muzzleloader season, but only for a deer with three-inch or longer antlers.

Neither of these changes to the muzzleloader or archery seasons appear in the 1989 *Digest of Fish and Wildlife Laws* (since the new law was passed after the printing of *The Digest*).

The regular archery deer hunting season remains unchanged. The dates are October 7th to October 29th.

Bear may be taken in Coos, Carroll, and Grafton Counties from September 1st through November 7th. Either firearms or bow and arrow may be used. The limit is one bear person season in New Hampshire.

New this year is the opening of nine towns in Merrimack County. Bear may be hunted in Andover, Boscawen, Danbury, Franklin Hill, New London, Salisbury, Sutton, and Wilmot from October through November 7th.

LET'S TALK



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A job transfer may mean a larger salary, but it may also bring relocation from a soft market to a more expensive real estate market. If a valued employee is about to suffer a loss on a residential sale due to a transfer, he should investigate his company's relocation benefits. Some firms will share in their employee's transfer-related real estate losses. Nearly a third of the 1,000 major companies across the nation belong to the Employee Relocation Council, which helps compensate employees. Some companies deal with this situation on an individual basis, while others have a policy of reimbursing employees for a percentage of any loss that they may incur on a home sale. Such programs take into account the discrepancies in real estate market activity in geographical locations across the country.

HINT: A competitive market analysis helps set home sale prices based on recent market activity.

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Also new is the requirement that those who hunt over bait may have only three bait sites (and must clearly mark each with a sign bearing their name and address). An individual can designate two additional people to hunt over the bait, and must include their names on the identification marker.

The reason for this is two-fold: it protects the hunter's sites from unauthorized use by others, and helps Fish and Game staff monitor bear hunters more closely.

If you plan to waterfowl hunt in New Hampshire this fall, steel shot is required.

The change to steel shot comes as a result of findings that lead shot causes lead poisoning in waterfowl, and results in a loss of two to three percent of the annual waterfowl population on a nationwide basis each year.

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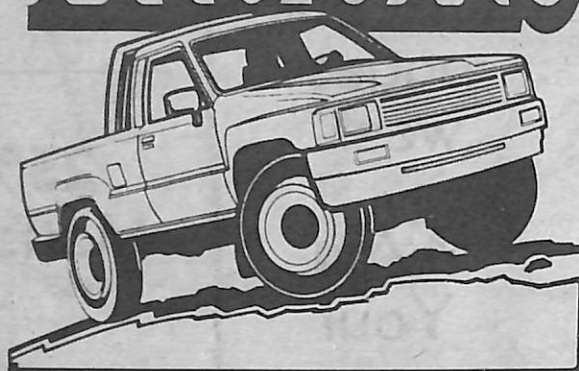
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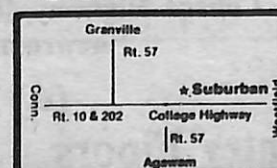
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Storowton Village Still Seeks Volunteers For Big E's 10-Days

Storowton Village in West Springfield, traditionally enhances its quaint, rustic charm during The Big E with authentically dressed townspeople performing tasks of daily 19th century life in the Exposition's own antique village.

This special touch, vital to the success of the village as a fairtime attraction, is traditionally performed by adults. This year, however, Storowton is seeking young people between the ages of 13 and 20 as "Storowteens" to act alongside adults as 19th century townfolk, further promoting the authenticity of this popular spot.

The advantages of volunteering as a Storowteen are numerous. Admission is free and once inside the gates there are numerous free concerts, shows and exhibits.

Storowteens remain active within the Village throughout the year, meeting once every two months to attend workshops, lectures and demonstrations, or to help out about the village. A research library will be available to students, a great advantage during the school year.

Most importantly, teens considering college should remember that unique volunteer activities enhance a college application a great deal.

Any teen interested in participating in the Storowton program may contact Carey Bitgood, Storowteen coordinator, for an interview, 787-0136, weekdays 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Advocates For A Safe Environment Set Bowl-A-Thon

A Bowl-A-Thon to benefit the environment will be held Saturday, August 26th, from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., at the Brunswick Airway Lanes at Springfield Plaza, 1387 Liberty Street in Springfield, and is sponsored by Advocates for A Safe Environment.

Both bowlers and sponsors are encouraged to participate. Children under 12 bowl free. For pledge sheets or more information, call 789-1738.

West Side Rec. Dept. Has Jobs For Rec. Leaders Open

The West Springfield Recreation Department has job openings in the capacity of recreation leaders for its "After School Program."

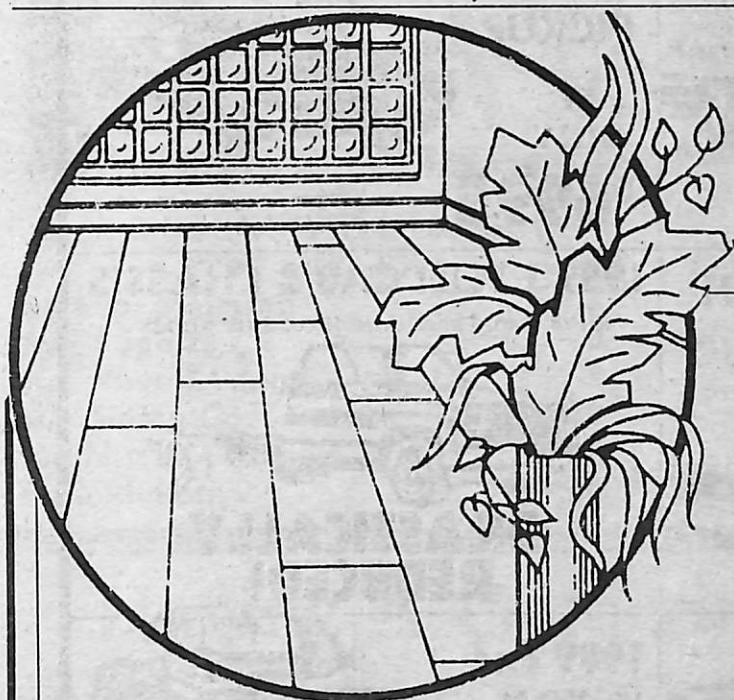
This program will begin in September and continue to the end of the school year. It will be held at Cowing, Fausey, Memorial, Mittineague, and Tatham elementary schools, from 3:00 to 5:30 p.m. on regularly scheduled school days.

The purpose of this program is to provide supervised recreational activities for children grades one through six after school.

For more information, please call 781-7550, extension 3282. A list of job responsibilities/duties, and applications are available at the Recreation Department.

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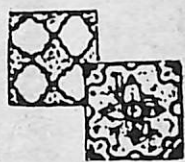
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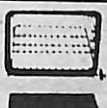
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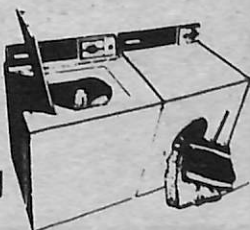
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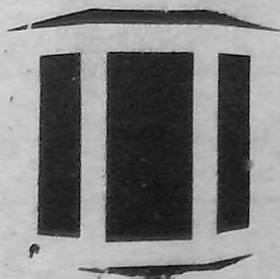
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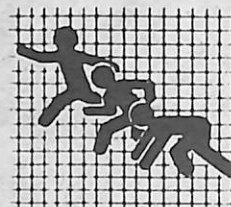
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